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GANDHI–JINNAH INDICTMENT OF VIOLENCE

Joint Declaration To Indian People

ACTS OF LAWLESSNESS HAS DISGRACED COUNTRY

"We Denounce Use Of Force To Achieve Political Ends"

NEW DELHI, April 15, (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah have denounced violence in a joint appeal issued today on the Viceroy's initiative.

A 'communique' issued from the Viceroy's House today says:—

"On His Excellency the Viceroy's initiative and at his specific request Mr. Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah signed the following declaration and authorised its publication:—

"We deeply deplore the recent acts of lawlessness and violence that have brought the utmost disgrace on the fair name of India and the greatest misery to innocent people, irrespective of who were the aggressors and who were the victims.

"We denounce for all time the use of force to achieve political ends, and we call upon all the communities of India, to whatever persuasion they may belong, not only to refrain from all acts of violence and disorder, but also to avoid both in speech and writing, any incitement to such acts.

Sd. M. A. JINNAH. Sd. M. K. GANDHI.

VICEROY'S PROPOSALS BY MAY END

LONDON, April 15. (U.P.I.): Lord Mountbatten will be able to put forward his own proposals within a month for solution of the Indian constitutional and communal problems in case the Congress and the Muslim League fail to come to an agreement by that time.

This appears to be the general belief in the British Official circles here who point out that the Viceroy's proposals will be made with utmost reluctance and only in the event of a failure of the principal political parties in India to come together and not otherwise. It is stated also that the method of his work should assure Indian parties that he really wants them to arrive at an agreement themselves.

There appears to be considerable amount of doubt prevailing in London whether Lord Mountbatten can resolve the Provincial partition issues and the demands of the Provincial Governments that the tribal areas should be transferred to them from the Governors. It is difficult, it is argued, to seek any logical, equitable and permanent solution of this highly complicated problem at this moment.

Mr. Jinnah is reported, according to information reaching here, to have pressed the Viceroy to support the Frontier Governor rather than the Provincial Ministry and Lord Mountbatten has so far failed to make his mind clear to the League President on the point.

The friends of Lord Mountbatten on the other hand are anxious that the remarkable measure of popularity he has already earned should not be dissipated into prolonged discussions on this or any other major problem, as there is a limit to exploration of the field and also a limit to the patience of the Indian parties especially when one is reminded of the unsettled conditions existing in the country.

SOLUTION FOR PUNJAB

SIMLA, April 14, (A.P.I.): The view that the solution on the communal strife, bloodshed and chaos lay in the partitioning of the Punjab was expressed in a resolution passed at a meeting of Simla Sikhs held on the occasion of "Baisakhi." in Guru Singh Sabha, Simla.

An impassioned plea for maintaining communal harmony was made by the Simla Muslim League and Hindu Sabha leaders at a largely attended inter-communal "Baisakhi" celebration organised by the National Home Front, Simla, Khan Bahadur Fazal Illahi, Deputy Commissioner, presided.

Jinnah Reconciled To Division Punjab & Bengal?

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, April 15. "Hindus and Mussalmans can never live together or run the administration together. It is too late in the day for Pandit Nehru to invoke a Round Table Conference.

"The die is irrevocably cast and India shall be divided". In these words Jinnah's paper "Dawn" replies to Pandit Nehru's appeal for the co-operation of the Muslim League. This, it is believed had also been Jinnah's reply to Lord Mountbatten. As indicated earlier Jinnah has refused to reconsider the Karachi resolution of the League. In other words he would neither enter the Constituent Assembly nor would he have joint responsibility at the Centre. Pakistan has been his demand and he shall have nothing short of it.

According to one source he would be prepared to abide by the verdict of an impartial independent International Commission to demarcate the boundaries of Pakistan. This, if true, means that Jinnah has reconciled to the division of Punjab and Bengal. Mountbatten meanwhile has opened his discussions with the Provincial Governors with particular reference to maintenance of law and order and hopes to announce his plan by the end of May.

RAIYATWARI FOR BENGAL

Bengal Land Reform Bill Provides For Abolition Of Zemindary

CALCUTTA, April 15. (A.P.I.): The Bengal State Acquisition and Tenancy Bill, which seeks to substitute the "Raiyatwari" system for the "Zemindary" system of land tenure in Bengal, has been published today. The Bill is a Government measure.

It seeks to bring the actual cultivator into direct relation with the Government by acquiring the interests of all classes of rent receivers as well as all similar interests on payment of compensation on the basis of net profit.

It also proposes that all surplus cultivable lands held by proprietors, tenure holders and "Raiyats" in excess of certain prescribed standard lands should be acquired with a view to their distribution among petty cultivators and landless labourers to provide them with economic holdings.

There will be only one class of tenant under the Bill, namely, 'Raiyats,' with full rights of occupancy.

LEAGUE RESPONSE TO CONGRESS

BOMBAY, April 15. (A. P. I.): The Muslim League has sought clarification of the basis for a joint conference suggested by the Congress Working Committee to discuss the situation arising out of the British Government's declaration to transfer power to India by June, 1948, according to a member of the Muslim League Working Committee.

He told an Associated Press of India correspondent here that he was surprised at Pandit Nehru's statement in New Delhi that so far there had been no response from the Muslim League to the Congress invitation.

The Muslim League leader said that the Muslim League was as anxious and as eager as the Congress to arrive at a mutual settlement.

"The Muslim League now wishes to know from the Congress Working Committee clearly and emphatically the basis for any negotiations between the two parties".

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON MAY.
NEW YORK, April 15.

Previous Closing	34.24
Today's Opening	34.18
Difference	—6
Today's Closing	34.44
Difference	+20

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.
NEW YORK, April 15.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—
Anaconda Copper Mining $36.
General Motors $54-3/4.
United States Steel Common $66-5/8.
United States Steel Preference unquoted.—(Reuter).

Progressive Port Policy For India

NEW DELHI, April 15 (API): The Government of India today released resolution on the report of the Ports (Technical) Committee published in May 1946. The Government of India agree that Vizagapatam should be developed as a sheltered deep sea port; that the Calcutta ship canal scheme should be further examined and that the development of Cocoanada is not necessary.

Following are the main points of the resolution:—

The Committee expressed the opinion that the following broad considerations should govern the formulation of an all-embracing and progressive port policy for India:

(A) The economic indivisibility of British India and Indian States:

(B) The increasing requirements of India's rapidly expanding agriculture and industries, as also the desirability of the dispersal of industries.

(C) The integration and implementation of a comprehensive, well-balanced and efficient policy of transport and its effective development in all its forms:

(D) The routing of trade through ports not to be influenced by customs policy:

(E) The need for a long view in the siting of new ports and the development of existing ones:

(F) The evolution of a sound policy of defence for the whole country:

(G) The geographical position and importance of India in the Indian Ocean; and

(H) The strategic importance of India in the development of a world order in the Far East.

CUSTOMS CAN'T BE OVERLOOKED

The Government of India while noting these views would add that considerations of revenue customs should not be overlooked and before any port is actually constructed or developed, a satisfactory customs agreement should have been reached as a necessary pre-requisite.

Fires Still Raging In D. I. Khan

PESHAWAR, April 15 (API) According to unofficial reports reaching Peshawar, numerous fires are still raging in D. I. Khan. Situation in the city is described as "serious".

Several shops in Pawinda Bazar have been gutted. Fire is now spreading to Bhatianwala Bazar.

A cinema house, the town hall, the D. B. College and one place of worship are reported to be still ablaze.

It is also reported that casual shots are being fired from housetops.

Five dead bodies have so far been reported to have been removed to hospital. Two police constables are stated to have been injured.

A public reception was given to the Soviet delegates to Asian Conference at Sunderabai Hall on Monday evening. Col. Sokhey presided.

PRINCES AND AMBASSADORS OF INDIA ABROAD

Sardar Appeals To Rulers Of Indian States To Emulate Baroda And Join Consembly

BARODA, April 15, (A.P.I.): Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Home Member, Government of India, addressing a mammoth gathering here this evening appealed to the Indian Princes to follow the example of the Ruler of Baroda and join the Constituent Assembly forthwith.

Sardar Patel congratulated Baroda on the lead it had given to other States and said it was time that the Rulers and the ruled understood their respective positions. Sardar Patel regretted that some Indian Princes should still be talking of direct relations with the Paramount Power and the sacred Treaties with the Emperor. "God who is the Rajah of Rajahs had willed that the people of India should be free by June 1948", he said.

He added there were some Princes who were still considering the question of joining the Constituent Assembly. He appealed to them all to join hands with those who were shaping the future of India. Those who had already expressed their desire to join the Constituent Assembly forthwith, he said, had done credit to themselves and those who were going to come at the end were not going to be credited with any service to the country's cause. The Indian Princes, he continued, need not be afraid of the Congress. For, it never wanted to destroy their dynasties or their rule. Besides all Praja Mandals in the various States could not take up the administration of the States even if power was handed over to them immediately. He asked the Indian Princes and the people of the States to join hands to ameliorate the lot of the suffering masses. The Indian Princes the Sardar stated, had a great future in a free India. They could do great service to this country as Ambassadors in other countries and by joining India's armed forces.

ADVICE TO PRAJA MANDAL

Sardar Patel said he had come to Baroda at the invitation of the Dewan. He asked the Baroda Praja Mandal to co-operate with the State authorities.

He continued: "India would be free within fifteen months. With the declaration of the British to leave India, there was no more need for any fighting but constructive work. India should now prepare to enjoy her freedom. The people should realise their responsibility and work to implement all constructive schemes sponsored in the country and not indulge in mutual slaughter".

Sardar Patel regretted that at a time when everyone in the country should co-operate, there should be mutual distrust, recrimination and slaughter. He appealed to the people to forget their differences, settle their problems amicably and peacefully.

Sardar Patel said that many people were writing to him about collection of arms and training of soldiers in some places. If there was anybody who was preparing for a return of those times when the Rulers in India fought among themselves and handed over the country to the British, he should change his ideas. "There will be a Central Power that would wield enough power to quell internal trouble" he said.

B. E. S. T. Workers Action Committee Decides To Call Off Strike?

BOMBAY, April 15, (A.P.I.): It is understood that the Joint Council of Action of the B.E.S.T. Workers Union at its meeting this morning decided to call off the twenty-two day old strike on Thursday, April 17. The Council is also understood to have decided to call a general meeting of the workers to explain its decision to end the strike.

An application asking permission to hold the meeting having been turned down by the Commissioner of Police, the Secretary of the Workers Union saw the Home Minister today in this connection. It is learnt that the Home Minister declined to interfere in the matter. The Council of Action is meeting again tomorrow to review the position.

HOME MINISTER'S ATTITUDE.

A Press Note issued by the Director of Publicity says: "Mr. G. G. Mehta, General Secretary of the B. E. S. T. Workers Union, called on the Home Minister this afternoon and sought permission to hold a public meeting of the workers on Wednesday. The Home Minister expressed his readiness to give the necessary permission if the meeting was intended to decide on the return of the strikers to work.

Mr. Mehta informed the Home Minister that it was proposed to tell the strikers that the Government would use a very large number of military personnel to break the strike, and, therefore, the strikers had before them no other alternative but to return to work from his talks with Mr. Mehta the Home Minister gathered the impression that the public meeting would serve only as a platform for baseless anti-Government propaganda, and would not in any way further the object of ending the hardships and sufferings of the public of Bombay.

The Home Minister, therefore, expressed his inability to give the necessary permission.

100 VEHICLES PUT ON ROAD ON TUESDAY

BOMBAY, April 15. (A.P.I.): Approximately 100 vehicles were running on April 15 under the emergency transport scheme, says the Mayor of Bombay, Mr. A. P. Sabavala, in a "communique" issued on Tuesday night. Within a day or two it is hoped to have the boards, indicating routes and fares to be charged, affixed to all vehicles. Owing to very short notice, this has not been possible in certain cases.

It is proposed to put 30 more vehicles on the road tomorrow. The Board will not rest satisfied with the progress so far achieved, but is determined to spare no efforts to mitigate every inconvenience felt by the public until the strike is over.

All vehicles running under the auspices of the Emergency Transport Board have been voluntarily placed at the disposal of the Board by their owners. The Board wishes to thank them for this public-spirited assistance and hopes that the response to its appeal will be still greater in the next few days.

Viceroy Confers With Governors

NEW DELHI, April 15 (API): The Governors' Conference called by the Viceroy held two sessions today, and will resume tomorrow morning.

It is learnt that during today's session the Viceroy explained to the Governors H.M.G.'s statement of February 20 together with the background preceding it. Furthermore, he is understood to have impressed upon the Conference the H.M.G.'s determination to hand over power by June 1948, and to have explained the steps necessary to implement H.M.G.'s policy. It is expected that at tomorrow's sessions details will be discussed. Most of the Governors are expected to leave on Thursday.

INDIA NEARING PORT OF FREEDOM

NEW YORK, April 15, (Reuter): The Indian Ambassador, Mr. Asaf Ali, said at a dinner in his honour by the India League of America today that "India's consciousness of her rightful place in the comity of nations has reached an altitude where the strongest headwind cannot impede or divert the course of her determination to reach her appointed destiny".

The Ambassador added: "The surest guarantee of India's freedom is the adamantine determination of 400,000,000 people who are marching with a steady step to the port of embarkation".

EMPIRES FADE OUT

"Empire and Empire builders, though great in their own day, fade out in course of time, but noble deeds, high intellectual achievements, and fruits of economic collaboration make permanent contributions to the ever-growing fabric of civilisation", continued Mr. Asaf Ali.

"These may appear to be platitudinous assertions to some, but I consider it my privilege to assure all that to the millions and millions of my countrymen. These are fundamental principles, which alone make the otherwise somewhat strenuous task of striving for a better, happier world worth wholehearted effort of united mankind".

OUTLAW WAR

Mr. Asaf Ali added: "India is, therefore, confirmed believer in international co-operation and united effort of the United Nations to establish a just, peaceful and progressive order of human society which should hold war outlawed.

Dalton's 'Smoke Less' Deal For Britain

GOVT. WILL STICK TO CHEAP MONEY POLICY

Chancellor Stresses Danger Of Inflation In Budget

LONDON, April 15, (U.P.A.): Chancellor of the Exchequer Hugh Dalton today gave Britain her first balanced budget since before the war. He estimated that the country would finish the 1947-48 year with a prospective surplus of £248,000,000.

He told the Commons that revenue for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1948, was expectedto total £3,429,000,000 on the existing basis of taxation asagainst estimated expenditure of £3,181,000,000.

Cheers from a crowded House greeted Dalton's announcement.

BUDGET DETAILS

The British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Dr. Hugh Dalton, rising in a crowded House of Commons to open his budget speech, announced that the deficit last year "was only £569,000,000 which was £157,000,000 deficit less than anticipated".

"That is not a bad starting point for today's excursion", he added.

The exact receipts were almost exactly £1,184,000,000 in spite of the fact that £52,000,000 was lost on beer owing to the fact that there was less barley for brewing.

This loss of revenue on beer was almost exactly balanced by a series of surpluses on tobacco, entertainments, purchase tax and import duties Tobacco brought in £46,000,000, that is "£21,000,000 more than we estimated".

INLAND REVENUE

Inland revenue showed a surplus of ₹91,000,000 and income-tax a surplus of £45,000,000 over the estimates.

Excess Profits Tax and Profits Tax brought in £358,000,000 and was £33,000,000 over the estimate.

Death duties brought in £148,000,000 stamp duties £38,000,000; purchase tax £181,000,000; entertainments ₹53,000-000 and import duties £29,000,000.

Surtax at £76,000,000 fell short of the estimate by £4,000,000.

Last year's total revenue from all sources was £3,341,000,000 which is 180,000,000 more than the estimate (Cheers).

NOTHING TO REGRET

The revenue was indeed buoyant, said the Chancellor, "and we have nothing to regret on this statement of affairs". The expenditure was £3,910,000,000 or £23,000,000 more than last April's estimate.

Defence expenditure amounted to £1,653,000,000, a saving of £14,000,000 on the estimate.

"We have made history in social services", he added. "Including supplementary estimates, we have provided £441,000,000 for social services, £117,000,000 more than in 1945-46.

"For education we provided £139,000,000, or £31,000,000 more than in the previous year; for training and resettlement £22,000,000, or £9,000,000 more than in the previous year".

House subsidies took ₹27,000,000 or £10,000,000 more than estimated. Old age and widows pensions took £156,000,000 or £14,000,000 more than estimated. The first year's payment of family allowances took £38,000,000.

LESS PLEASING FACTORS

The Chancellor added: "Less pleasing to me are some of the other supplementary estimates. We provided £39,000,000 more for the Control Office in addition to the original estimate of £80,000,000 to feed and administer the Germans in our zone.

We spent £19,000,000 more than we had bargained for in Greece. All over the world, food prices have gone on rising and we have had to provide a supplementary sum of £50,000,000 for purchases by the Ministry of Food".

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE

The estimated expenditure this year is £3,181,000,000 or a reduction of 729,000,000 or 19 per cent on actual expenditure of last year.

The estimated expenditure on Defence is £899,000,000 or a reduction of £754,000,000 or 46 per cent saving on last year.

"We count on further substantial

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STOP PRESS

WALLACE'S SPEECHES

WASHINTON, April 15. (A.P.A.): The White House announced today that Henry Wallace speaks only as a "private citizen" in his attacks abroad on American foreign policy and that no "official notice" had been taken of his speeches. Charles Ross, Presidential Secretary, emphasized that fact when correspondents questioned him at a press conference about the furore raised in Congress by Wallace's assertions that the United States has embarked on a course of "imperialism"

WALLACE'S B.B.C. BROADCAST

LONDON, April 15. (A.P.A.): The Conservative member of Parliament for Hornbey (London), L. D. Gammans, served notice today that he would ask the Government in the House of Commons on Thursday whether Henry Wallace's Sunday night broadcast on the B.B.C. was made after consultation with the British Government.

U.S. NEUTRALITY LAW

WASHINGTON, April 15. (A. P. A.) President Truman today proposed a sweeping change in America's Neutrality Law to permit the Government to place embargoes on shipments of arms to unfriendly nations. In a message to Congress the President said he must be free to act "in accordance with our position in the United Nations".

"QUEEN ELIZABETH"

SOUTHAMPTON, April 15. (A.P.A.): All efforts to refloat the giant ocean liner "Queen Elizabeth", aground at the mouth of Southampton harbour since early last night, failed today. Her 2,446 passengers remained restlessly aboard. Officials of the Star Line said that they expected the liner to be dragged free of the mud but that it may take three days.

MARSHALL-STALIN MEETING

MOSCOW, April 15. (A.P.A.: George C. Marshall, U. S. Secretary of State, went to the Kremlin at 20.00 hours tonight for a conference with Premier Stalin.

KING CHRISTIAN'S CONDITION

COPENHAGEN, April 15. (U.P.A.): An official announcement said tonight that the condition of King Christian had deteriorated somewhat. The announcement said his fatigue had increased and there was shortness of breath. His temperature was 38.3 degrees Celsius (centigrade).

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COTTON CONTRACT HELD VOID

Appeal Allowed

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Coyajee.)
Baldeodas C. Parikh. .... Appellant.
vs.
Khimjee Poonja & Co. Respondents.

This was an appeal from a decision of Mr. Justice Chagla dismissing the appellant's petition to set aside an award made by the Board of the East India Cotton Association against the appellant.

The appellant had employed the respondents, who were members of the East India Cotton Association, to effect certain transactions in cotton from April to August 1945. Contract notes were rendered by the respondents to the appellant in respect of these transactions, which contained a term to the effect that all disputes were to be referred to arbitration in accordance with the by-laws of the East India Cotton Association.

By-law 82 of the Association provided that a contract note in the form given in the Appendix thereto must be rendered in respect of every contract between members and their constituents. Section 8 of the Bombay Cotton Contracts Act of 1932 provided that any contract which was not in accordance with the by-laws of any recognized Cotton Association would be void. The contract notes submitted in the present case were not in the prescribed form the appellant, therefore, contended that the contracts were void, that the arbitration clause therein was also unenforceable. and that the award made thereon should be set aside.

The trial Judge, Mr. Justice Chagla, held that the consequence of not rendering a contract note in the prescribed form was not to render the contrac. void. His Lordship, therefore, dismissed the petition.

On appeal, their Lordships were unable to agree with the view taken by the trial judge. Their Lordships held that the contract note was itself the contract between the parties and since it was not in accordance with the by-laws of the Association, it was void. Their Lordhips therefore allowed the appeal and set aside the award.

AHMEDABAD MUNICIPAL SUIT FOR DIVISION BENCH

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chagla, Mr. Justice Bavdekar and Mr. Justice Gajendragadkar.)
The Municipal Borough of Ahmedabad. Appellant (Defendant.)
vs.
Jayantilal Chhotalal Patel. .... Respondent (Plaintiff.)

The plaintiff had filed this suit against the Ahmedabad Municipality for certain amounts alleged to be due to him as a contractor whose contract had come to an end. To a substantial extent he succeed in the tried court at Ahmedabad, including the refund of a sum of Rs. 4,100 which he had been made to deposit with the Municipality for the due performance of his contract, in respect of which the Municipality had passed a resolution that it should not be refunded to him. It was with respect to the order for refund of this sum of Rs. 4,100 that the Municipality came to the Bombay High Court in appeal.

Section 206 of the Municipal Boroughs Act provided that two months' notice must be given to the Municipality of any suit with reference to an act of the Municipality done under the Municipal Boroughs Act and the suit must be brought within six months of the act complained of. The question which arose was whether the resolution of the Municipality not to refund the amount was something done in pursuance of the Municipal Boroughs Act within the meaning of Section 206 of that Act.

Mr. Justice Macklin and Mr. Justice Bavdekar before whom the matter came up referred it to a full bench.

The full bench held that when the Municipality had obtained powers from a Municipal Act to enter into a contract, the exercise of their powers to enforce the contract was not an act done in pursuance of the Municipal Act. Their Lordships therefore held that no notice was necessary and that the case in 23 Bom. L. R. 881 was wrongly decided and that the appeal should now be heard by a division bench.

Mr. J. C. Shah with Mr. N. C. Shah appeared for the appellant.

Mr. B. G. Thakore appeared for the respondent.

LEADER OF SHIPPING DELEGATION TO LONDON

Report About Recommendation For Sir C. P. Denied

BOMBAY, April 15 (API): A representative of the Commerce Department of the Government of India today denied that the name of Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Iyer was suggested at yesterday's meeting of the representatives of the Indian Shipping Companies as leader of the proposed Shipping Delegation to London.

The question of selecting members and a leader for the delegation representing Indian shipowners, who are proceeding to the United Kingdom to discuss with the British shipowners increased participation of Indian shipping in coastal and overseas trade, was discussed at yesterday's meeting, and a panel of names was handed over to the Commerce Member.

The meeting unanimously agreed that the choice of personnel of the delegation, including its leader, should be left entirely to the Government of India, and no recommendation was made about Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Iyer.

SURAT, April 14, (API): More than 1250 primary teachers out of a total of over 1,600 primary teachers of Surat district have not accepted their salary for the month of February as a protest against the reduction in their salary for one day.

It may be recalled that the teachers observed February 20 as a teachers' day and against the directions of the authorities went on strike that day.

Protection To Dockers Against Accident

Indian Dock Labourers Act To Come Into Force Next Year

NEW DELHI, April 15. (A.P.I.): The convention adopted by the International Labour Organisation for the protection of workers loading and unloading ships against accidents, has been ratified by the Government of India and the Indian Dock Labourers Act will come into force on February 10, 1948. Draft regulations proposed for implementing the latter have already been circulated.

The convention, thirty-second among the I.L.O. conventions, was adopted first in 1929 and revised in 1932. In 1934, the Indian Central Legislature enacted the Indian Dock Labourers' Act strictly on the lines suggested by the convention, ratification of which by India being dependent on such an Act being brought into actual force. Actual enforcement of the Act was, however, held up by certain constitutional changes in 1935 and later by the outbreak of war.

Meanwhile, the responsibility for the administration of the Act, which had been originally placed on the provincial governments concerned, was transferred to the Central Government by amendments made in 1936 under the adaptation order. After the end of the war, in 1946, draft regulations for implementing the Act were finalised and circulated.

LIMITATION.

The measure now about to be enforced is to cover only dock labour engaged in loading and unloading ships. This limitation is due to the strict requirements of the I.L.O. convention, but enlarged powers for the protection of dock labour such as powers for preventing accidents, enforcing minimum welfare measures etc., will be secured under the new Factories Act to be introduced in the next session of the Legislative Assembly, which includes dock labour within its purview.

As the Dock Labourers' Act of 1934 comes into force, the necessary inspection staff will be appointed and controlled by the Chief Adviser of Factories Organisation.

Fall In Railway Earnings

Standing Finance Committee Survey Budget Lines

NEW DELHI, April 15 (API): A Press Note says, the Standing Finance Committee for Railways met today under the Chairmanship of Dr. John Matthai, Member for Transport and Railways and approved of the following proposals:—

(1) To commence construction of a line from Barwadih to Sarnadih (40 miles) estimated to cost about Rupees one hundred and seventy-one lakhs, as part of the project—Barwadih-Chirimiri (158 miles)—which, when completed, will facilitate the distribution of movement of coal from the Bihar fields to the west of India and afford considerable relief to the over-loaded Barkakana Loop (E. I. Rly.) and open up several promising coal areas.

(2) Purchase of 150 heavy-goods BG locomotives and 33 heavy-goods MG locomotives from north America to cope with the requirements for the year 1948-49 including the covement of the extra coal Government are planning to raise.

(3) Placing of orders for 36 spare boilers from north America, to speed up the periodical overhaul of the BG and MG locomotives already obtained from north America for war-time traffic.

(4) Placing of orders for 650 BG tanks wagons and 330 MG tank wagons.

EARNINGS AND EXPENSES

The Committee was also informed about the latest position of gross earnings and working expenses.

The total approximate gross earnings of all budget lines for the year 1946-47 amount to 202.11 crores which is 17.8 crores less than the approximate gross earnings and 25.34 crores less than the actual gross earnings for the previous year.

The total approximate ordinary working expenses including suspense but excluding appropriation to and from the depreciation reserve fund of budget lines upto the end of January, 1947 amount to Rs. 113.91 crores which is 12.15 crores more than the corresponding period of the previous year.

NEW DELHI, April 15 (API): The railway convention Committee, at its first meeting yesterday, settled its terms of reference and future programme of work.

The terms of reference include the consideration of rules for allocation of railway expenditure, scope of the depreciation and betterment funds and of the railway reserve amortisation of capital and the basis on which the contribution from railways too general revenues should be determined.

The next meeting of the Committee will be held in July next.

The Committee consists of Dr. John Matthai, Transport Member, Chairman, the Finance Member, Financial Commissioner for Railways, Messrs. M. Subedar, N. V. Gadgil, S. S. Sanyal, S. Guruswami, Mohammad Nauman, M. A. F. Hirtzel, Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, Satyanarain Sinha, Balkrishna Sharma, Mohammad Yamin Khan and Dr. Ziauddin Ahmed.

British Steamship Strikes A Mine

SINGAPORE, April 15. (Reuter): 'Empire Passmore' a 974 tons British Steamship, struck a mine 30 miles from Horsburg light house near Singapore to-day.

Rescue ships from Singapore rushed to the 'Empire Passmore' when an S.O.S. was received at Singapore by her agents. There was no news about the passengers.

The 'Empire Passmore' was returning from Kuching, Sarawak, to Singapore when the accident occurred. The vessel is usually employed on the Bangkok-Singapore rice route, but was diverted to Kuching recently.

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MADRAS BETTING TAX TO BE RAISED

Abolition Of Horse Racing Deferred For Time Being

MADRAS, April 15. (A.P.I.): Horse racing in Madras is not likely to be abolished outright, but the Government will decide the question more or less on the lines adopted by the Bombay Government.

This was revealed by a ministerial source in an interview to-day. The introduction of a Government Bill in the legislature for the abolition of horse racing in the province would be deferred for the time being.

It is understood the Government also propose to raise the Betting Tax from its present level of 6.25 per cent to a higher level to take effect from the next season at Guindy.

'GROSSLY INACCURATE FIGURES'

Textile Commissioner Refutes Sir Homi Mehta's Statement

Mr. Dharma Vira, Textile Commissioner to the Government of India has sent the following statement:—

Sir Homi Mehta's statement regarding the cloth supply position has been brought to my notice. Besides several incorrect statements on matters of opinion he has given out grossly inaccurate figures of stocks with the mills which considering that they come from a millowner are to say the least amazingly incorrect.

The actual stocks held by the mills in India at the end of February 1947 consisted of 138,740 bales of which 74,602 bales were held on the mills' own account and 64,188 on the account of their purchasers. During the last one year at the end of a month the stocks in hand with the mills have never exceeded 242,288 bales and the actual position is that the stocks in hand with the mills at present are distinctly below the average stocks held by them in the

Union Leaders Arrested

Madras Strike Sequel

MADRAS, April 15. (A.P.A.): "Ring leaders" of the Madras Labour Union (B. and C. Mills) have been arrested within 24 hours under the Madras Public Safety Act, according to the Assistant Commissioner of Police.

Two were arrested last evening and four others this morning, he said.

The Union had recently turned down Government's terms for calling off the strike involving 14,000 workers which is now 36 days old. The strikers insisted that their union leader Anthony Pillai be released immediately.

Police patrols have been posted all over the city as a precaution against any troubles, the Assistant Commissioner added.

How Representatives Of States Enter Consembly

NEW DELHI, April 14. (A.P.I.): A 'communique' issued by the Secretary of the Constituent Assembly says:—Enquiries have been addressed to this office by certain States as to what formalities have to be followed before their representatives can take their seats in the forthcoming session of the Constituent Assembly. The following procedure has been prescribed by the President and it is as nearly as possible the same as that for British Indian representatives.

As agreed at a meeting of the two Negotiating Committees set up by the Chamber of Princes and the Constituent Assembly, the Ruler (or in the case of Groups of States, the Rulers) concerned will issue a formal notification stating the names of persons elected or nominated to the Assembly and will cause it to be communicated to the President. The Secretary of the Assembly will then issue a formal invitation to the representatives to attend the session of the Assembly. Each representative will be expected to bring with him an authenticated copy of the notification issued by the Ruler and will be asked to present it and to sign a register. That completes the formalities.

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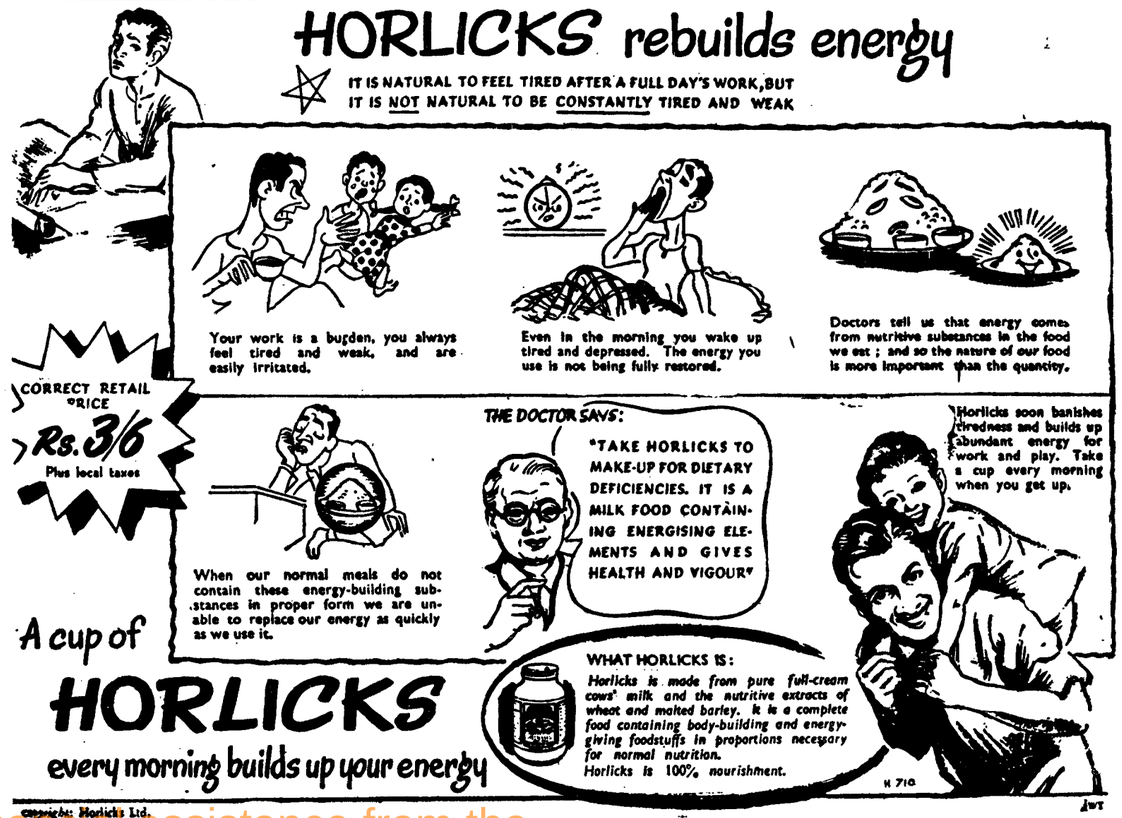
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Leaguers Skip Off Rowjee Party

BOMBAY, Tuesday: The services of Mr. M. I. Rowjee, who occupied the mayoral chair during the past year, were praised when the Councillors of the Bombay Municipal Corporation gave a tea party in his honour this evening. No Muslim League member was present at the function.

Mr. A. P. Sabavala, the new Mayor, briefly referred to the zeal and sincerity of Mr. Rowjee who, he said, served the citizens of Bombay very ably. Mr. Rowjee made a suitable reply.

Present at the function was U So Myun, the Mayor of Rangoon, who is returning to his country after attending the conference of Mayors in Karachi.

Communist Editor Arrested Again

City Police Raid On "Peoples Age"

BOMBAY, Tuesday: The Bombay C.I.D. to-day again raided the head quarters of the Communist Party at Sandhurst Road and also searched their Press where the Party's weekly organ "Peoples Age" is printed.

Dr. G. N. Adhikari and M. B. Rao were taken into custody under the Official Secret Act.

A large number of copies of the "Peoples Age" wherein articles of inflammatory nature were published were seized.

The arrested Communists were later on released on bail.

CITY COASTAL SERVICES SUSPENDED

Sequel To Storm Over Arabian Sea

BOMBAY, Tuesday: Coastal steamer services from Bombay were suspended today as a result of storm over the Arabian Sea and thousands of passengers were held up at the Ferry Wharf. Incoming coastal steamers however arrived according to schedule.

Bombayites who were experiencing terrible heat during the last week got some relief as a result of the monsoonish weather in the city which set in last night. During the 24 hours ending 8 a.m. today, twenty cents of rainfall were recorded.

The city will continue to have cloudy weather for a day or two according to weather expert.

Quake Shock Recorded

BOMBAY, Tuesday. An earth-quake shock of moderate intensity, at its origin about 4,875 miles away, with its epicentral region probably in the sea to the west of lower Guiena in South Africa, was recorded by the seismograph at the Colaba Observatory at 12-56 p.m. (I.S.T.) yesterday.

CITY & SUBURBS

To-day

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Parsi: Avan 15, 1316.
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Hightide: 08-22, 21-20.
Lowtide: 03-12, 14-23.

MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS COMMITTEE: 3 p.m. (B. T.).

Today's Engagements

ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF BOMBAY: Prof. G. S. Ghurye, to deliver his address on "Occidental Civilization", at 6 p.m., today, in the rooms of the B. B. Royal Asiatic Society, Town Hall.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: "What is Fate? How is Will Free?" is subject of a short talk to be followed by questions and answers, at 6-15, today, at Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

MAZDAZNAN: GENERAL QUIZ MEETING: Today, at 6 p.m., at Alexandra Girls' School Hall, Waudby Road.

DR. NAIKER AND DR. DADOO: Who arrived in Bombay, on Tuesday, will hold a press conference at the office of Vande Mataram, Frere Road, today (Wednesday), at 4 p.m.

Permit For General Meeting Of B. E. S. T. Workers Refused

Mr. G. G. Mehta, Secretary of B. E. S. T. Workers Union writes:

The application for holding a General Meeting of the workers to review the Strike situation and to decide whether to continue or call off the Strike was rejected by the Commissioner of Police, Mr. G. G. Mehta, General Secretary of the Workers' Union, then contacted Mr. Morarji Desai, the Home Member, to grant a Permit to hold a meeting in order to explain the unanimous decision of the Joint Council of Action to call off the Strike from Thursday, the 17th instant. The necessary permit was refused because the Home Member did not want to allow the workers to make anti-Government speeches. In view of these facts, the Joint Council of Action will meet today (Wednesday morning), at 10 a.m., at the residence of Mr. G. G. Mehta and take the final decision in this respect.

Death Of Dr. Khatkhatay

The "Bombay Chronicle" regrets to announce the death, which took place on Tuesday morning at his house in Chakla Street of Dr. Mahomed Ibrahim Khatkhatay. Dr. Khatkhatay, who was 63 years old, had practised as a doctor for over forty years having been the first Konkni Muslim to obtain the medical degree of Bombay University. He was a member of a well-known Muslim family associated with the management of Bombay's premier mosque, the Juma Masjid, of which he was a trustee for many years. He was also a trustee of the Sattad Masjid near Masjid Railway Station and also of the Mahim Masjid. Dr. Khatkhatay was also professor of the Tibbia College and a prominent health propagandist and social worker and gained considerable popularity among a large section of Bombay's poor citizens by his humanitarian activities.

Weather News For Farmers

FORECAST TILL THURSDAY MORNING:—Thunder-showers are likely locally in the Konkanpatti, Khandesh, Mawal, the Deccan, the Bombay Karnatak, Gujarat and south Kathiawar. A few thunder-showers are also likely in the western districts of the Hyderabad State and north Kathiawar. Strong winds are likely in the south Konkanpatti.

OUTLOOK FOR FURTHER 2 DAYS:—Rainfall will decrease and weather will generally improve in the Konkanpatti, Khandesh, Mawal, the Deccan and the Bombay Karnatak.

B. P. C. C. RECEPTION TO SOVIET ASIAN DELEGATES

200 Million People Of Russia Are Friends Of India, Says Azerbaijan Professor

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Delegates and observers to the Inter-Asian Relations Conference from Soviet Asia and U.S.S.R. on a short visit to the city, were accorded a reception by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee at Jinnah Hall this evening.

Dr. Dadoo and Dr. Naiker of South Africa who arrived here this afternoon by air from Delhi also joined the reception.

Mr. S. K. Patil, President of the B.P.C.C., presided.

ADMIRATION FOR RUSSIA

Welcoming the delegates, Mr. Patil said it was the happiest day in the history of the Congress that they had in their midst friends from Russia and specially Eastern Russia. It was a happy coincidence that Dr. Dadoo and Dr. Naicker were also present.

Ever since the Revolution, Mr. Patil said, India had the greatest admiration for Russia. She was closely studying the experiments made there and copying them to a great extent.

FRIENDS OF INDIA

Mr. Yusufov, Professor of Sanskrit, from Azerbaijan said that two hundred million people of Russia were the friends of India and they had warm feelings of sympathy and love for Indians. The Conference at Delhi, he added, was a wonderful Conference. It was a very significant event in the history of India. And it would, he hoped, mark the beginning of an era fostering ties of culture and friendship between the two peoples.

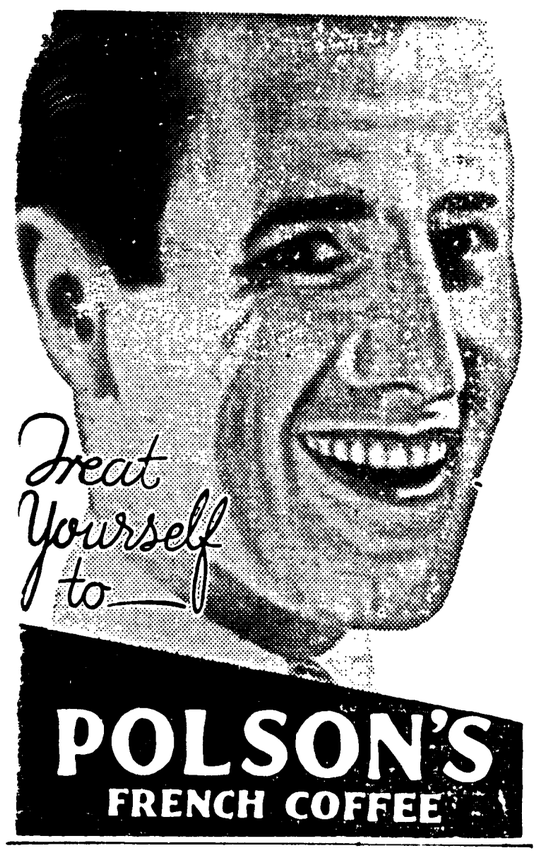
LESSON FOR SMUTS

Dr. Dadoo said that Indians in South Africa stood for a world free from the scourge of racial discrimination. The Conference at Delhi was a good omen for future relations of democracy-loving people. It would be a lesson for Smuts, he said.

RECEPTION BY F. S. U.

The eighteen delegates from Soviet Russia to the Inter-Asian Conference were given a public reception at Sunderabai Hall, on Monday evening. The reception was arranged by the Friends of the Soviet Union. Representatives of fifteen organisations in the city participated in the function and expressed their warm feelings for the Soviet Union. Col. Sokhey, Director of the Haffkine Institute presided.

The delegates appreciated the warm regard India had for Soviet Russia. They hoped to see India free and prosperous. The delegate from Kazakistan called for cordial relationship among all the countries of Asia.



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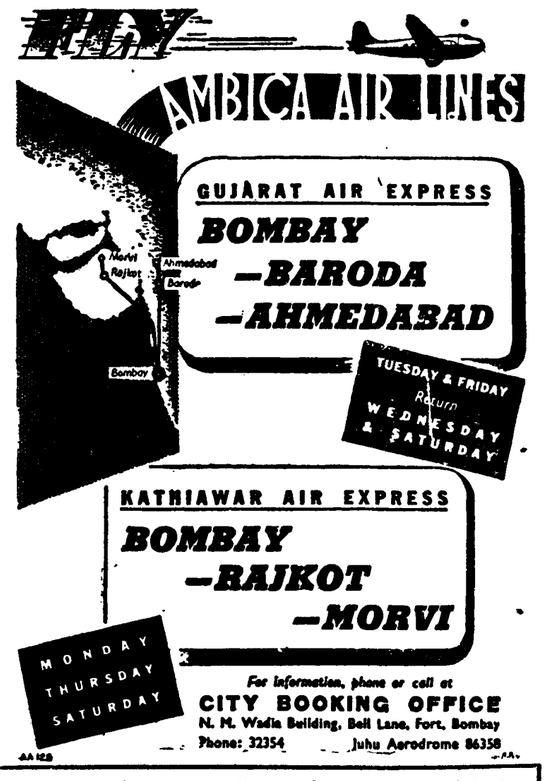

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All-India Weather Chart

POONA, April 15, (A. P. I.): Following is weather summary for Tuesday: The cyclonic storm in the East Arabian Sea which became severe by yesterday evening, has moved nothwards and is likely to move further northwards and weaken. Weather is unsettled in South Andaman Sea and neighbourhood. The western disturbance is moving north-eastwards as a feeble low pressure area over the extreme north of the country. Thunderstorm—rain has been widespread in Assam, the Konkan, the Bombay Deccan, Mysore and Malabar and local in south-east Madras.

Locally heavy rain will fall in the Konkan, the North Bombay Deccan, the West Central Provinces and the adjoining Central India during the next 48 hours.

Weather Chart

Following is weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during past 24 hours from April 1 and departure from normal recorded at 8 a.m., today:—

Ahmedabad 109 84 0 0.1 plus 0.1, Ahmednagar 93 70 0.1 0.8 plus 0.6, Ajmer 105 74 0 0 minus 0.1, Bangalore 85 69 0.1 0.1 minus 0.5, Baroda 111 78 0 0.1 nil, Belgaum 93 69 0.2 1.1 plus 0.3, Benares 108 77 0 0 minus 0.1, Bhuj 108 77 0 0 minus 0.1, BOMBAY 99 77 0.2 0.2 plus 0.2, Calcutta 95 80 0 0 minus 0.6, Calicut 83 75 0.3 5.6 plus 4.5, Cawnpore 109 75 0 0 minus 0.1, Delhi 105 73 0 0 minus 0.1, Hyderabad (Dn.) 97 77 0 0 minus 0.7, Indore 98 78 0 0.1 plus 0.1; Karachi 96 73 0 0 minus 0.1, Lahore 104 69 0 0 minus 0.3, Lucknow 109 73 0 0 minus 0.1, Madras 91 79 0 1.0 plus 0.9, Mahabaleshwar 79 61 0.9 3.6 plus 3.2, Mangalore 90 76 0.2 2.9 plus 2.4, Mysore 87 68 0.3 1.5 plus 0.9, Nagpur 104 76 T 0 0.3, Patna 105 79 0 0 minus 0.1, Peshawar 95 60 0 0 minus 1.0, Poona 98 71 0.7 0.9 plus 0.6, Rajkot 108 75 0 0 0, Ranchi 100 76 0 0 minus 0.3, Simla 72 58 0 0 minus 0.9, Surat 102 83 0 0.1 0.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

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The Bombay Chronicle

FOR MILLIONS, NOT MILLIONAIRES

Two important pronouncements regarding the future of India's industrial and commercial development were made on Monday by the Vice-President of the Indian Interim Government and its Commerce Member. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, addressing the annual meeting of the All-India Manufacturers' Conference at New Delhi, indicated the main trend which industrialisation must take in India and the purpose it should serve. Mr. Chundrigar, addressing a Conference of representatives of Shipping Companies in India, in Bombay, declared that the Government of India would make every effort to put India on the maritime map of the world and to develop her overseas trade commensurate with her vast coast line and geographical position. The past and present condition of Indian National Shipping and its demands for the place that is its due to it in the world of shipping and maritime trade were vividly described by Mr. Walchand Hirachand who pointed out that unless Indian shipping was enabled to build up its economic resources and develop its vitality and vigour and was given the protection and help which it might need, it would be an extremely onerous task for it to find the proper place which the Government of India desired it to take in the carriage of this country's maritime trade. He referred to the increased cost of building ships and to the necessity of establishing a training organisation on shore and another training organisation at sea and also of increasing the intake of the number of cadets in the Training Ship "Dufferin" to provide trained personnel for manning the expanding Indian shipping and he asked if Indian National Shipping, which had been struggling against heavy odds for thirty years, did not deserve more encouragement, more inspiration and greater help than what had been given to their countries' shipping by the National Governments of the United Kingdom and the U.S.A. Mr. Chundrigar's assurances to the representatives of India's shipping interests were as cordial as they were emphatic. He made it quite plain that whatever the shortcomings of the policy of its predecessors, the present Government considered it essential to support Indian shipping, had begun negotiations with the British Government with a view to ensuring greater participation of India's shipping both in the coastal and overseas trade and had agreed to the suggestion of the former that representatives of both British and Indian shipping interests should negotiate and try to arrive at some agreement. Mr. Chundrigar took care to draw attention to the heartening fact that the representatives of Indian shipping interests would attend the forthcoming conference in London with the definite knowledge that their Government was behind them and was determined to render the required assistance to Indian shipping to take its rightful place in maritime trade. He also gave assurance of Government help in purchasing ships from the U.S.A. and of Government's intention to expand training facilities for maritime officers and engineers. He did well also to make it clear that the purpose of London negotiations would not be to allocate shares among different Indian interests but merely to negotiate for Indian interests as a whole. As he very properly said: "The sharing out of the trade so agreed upon among Indian interests is a domestic issue which must be settled separately by ourselves". In this connection he rightly welcomed the formation of an Indian Shipowners' Association which, as he added, would prove a very useful channel for putting the considered view of Indian shipping interests before Government and for dealing with non-Indian shipping companies. There should be complete co-operation among Indian shipping companies. We emphasize this point particularly because of the complaint made by Mr. Soorji Vallabhdas on the occasion of the hoisting of the national flag on s. s. "Jagdamba" by Babu Rajendra Prasad, about the difficulties experienced by smaller companies. The field for Indian shipping is a vast one and the danger of combines, monopolies and excessively large units in this industry should be avoided.

Mr. Chundrigar did not refer to a vital question in connection with the shipping industry and that is the question of its nationalisation as soon as circumstances permit. Shipping is one of those key industries which, sooner or later, will have to be nationalised in the larger interests of the country. On this subject of nationalisation of certain industries Pandit Jawaharlal's observation deserves careful consideration by the public as well as the industrialists, by the millions of this country's population as well as its few millionaires. Referring to this subject Sir M. Visweswarayya, in the course of his presidential address to the All-India Manufacturers' Organisation, had stated that it would be a pity to change plans without prolonged investigations and discussions with the business public, that it might be at least six years before the country settled down to normal working conditions and that, until this happened, caution should be exercised not to unsettle people's thoughts and business procedure and antagonise the public even if Government believed their views were not altogether sound. Pandit Jawaharlal replying to Sir M. Visweswarayya said: "An overwhelming majority of the people passionately desired nationalisation—may be without knowing it or analysing it. Why did they want it? So, when one talked of 'public' one should beware of what 'public' one referred to. The public criticized manufacturers and industrialists and said that in the course of the war a number of people had made vast sums of money legitimately and illegitimately, probably both. The war had accentuated the contrast between the rich and the poor greatly. In considering the question one should take into account the feelings and urges of millions of people. The millions must be carried, otherwise even the best of schemes would simply collapse."

Though he said that at the present moment "they had to consider what was the best way to get over the present economic difficulty and not to indulge in schemes which might obstruct and delay progress during a very vital part of their existence, he emphasized that he had no doubt in his mind that in theory, complete nationalization was desirable and that there was no escape from national planning of industries which would necessitate private enterprize functioning within that plan. And the objectives of national planning are also definite and clear. To quote Pandit Jawaharlal again: "I do not want industrial development if 400 million people are going to be in a bad way. Progress must bring progress to all people and not to a chosen few. We have to think in terms of the masses of this country. Their standard of living must be raised. The industrial progress and prosperity of the 400 million people, and not merely of a ten or a hundred thousand people, are inter-related". Nationalisation of certain basic industries will come and must come in good time. It is a false cry to say that the mere talk of nationalisation will retard the growth of industries in this country. India has to be industrialised and it is the policy of the present Government and it will continue to be the policy of succeeding Governments in the immediate future to industrialise the country. In the modern age India must industrialize or perish. But this industrialisation will be to make the lives of millions of this country's men, women and children happy, to free them from fear and want and not merely to continue creating a small class of millionaires. The people of India have not fought, suffered and sacrificed to win freedom of the country for that freedom to be used for perpetuating the economic exploitation of the vast majority for the aggrandizement of the few. In a free India the scope for private enterprize will be vast, but no future Government in India will permit her illimitable resources to be used to consign large sections of the people to the perpetual agony of economic insecurity. As Pandit Jawaharlal said: "Production and economic growth must be based on social contentment. Without that there is no great future for India."

Frankly Speaking

Sardar's Moving Appeal

Speaking at Chaupatty the other day, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel made a moving appeal for unity and closing of ranks, which it behoves all concerned to respond to as an urgent patriotic duty. A great and historic struggle for India's independence is coming to a victorious end. Yet on the eve of the triumph, those who have contributed to the success of the struggle and who should prepare in unity and pride of achievement for the final act, are quarelling among themselves and giving an exhibition of disunity which disgraces India and their own services. There is conflict between the Muslim League and the Congress. It is bad and humiliating enough. But in another sense it is even more tragic that there should be feud and strife between those who have been associated directly or indirectly with the general cause represented by the Indian National Congress.

Their Patriotic Duty

The Sardar paid a handsome tribute to the ability, self-sacrifice and services of the Communists, Socialists, the Forward Bloc and the I.N.A. men. The tribute was well-deserved. But that makes the position even more regrettable. It is no happy spectacle that those who dared so much and so cheerfully in the service of the cause led by the Congress, should, by the present conflicts be weakening the esteem and respect which they themselves helped to win for India in the world. If only for the honour of India, the Sardar's appeal is entitled to immediate response. Let freedom be won in peace with the dignity and unity which characterised the fight for it. It is only a matter of twelve months. After that it will be open to all, as the Sardar put it luridly, to try to set fire to the country if they think that that would be in the interest of free India. The Sardar addressed a few words to the Princely Order too. Their Highnesses and their advisers are today torn by two conflicting sentiments, one, the sentiment of wisdom and experience, the other the sentiment of feudal ambition. It is easy to yield to the latter. But the temptation to exploit the departure of the British as if it was an invitation to all to help themselves to bits of India is dangerous. The Princes stand to gain by patriotic acceptance of the position Congress has offered them in a united India. They will lose every thing if they want to live apart from India and as feudal survivors. The Sardar's was the voice of a friend and needs to be heeded by the Princely Order.

India And Palestine

Addressing a meeting in New Delhi, M. Taqee-u-din El Soli referred to a message which Mahatma Gandhi has given on the question of Palestine. Gandhiji has advised Arabs to show generosity and magnanimity in their treatment of the Jews, but to die resisting if the Jews insisted upon entering Palestine with the help of the British and the Americans and wanted to take forcible possession of their lands. The advice is typical of the man who feels for the plight, understands the British and Americans too well and is also true to the principle of a people's right to their own land. We are confident that this message will be welcomed by, and will hearten the Arabs who, having already shown great generosity and magnanimity to the Jews, are now trying to save their homeland from being lost. At the same meeting, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad assured the Arab League representative of India's wholehearted support to the Arabs in the task that lay ahead of them. Mahatma Gandhi and Maulana Azad authoritatively represent the position of India in regard to the Palestine problem. And we are glad that position has been reiterated on the eve of United Nations Assembly special session.

Strikers' Final Opportunity

The B.E.S.T. Union has been afforded one more opportunity to rescue itself and its members from a disastrous position, in which they placed themselves by embarking on a strike in defiance of the law and by persisting in it. The Company had decided to give notice that the strikers should return to duty immediately or they will be dismissed. The Government has intervened in order to secure for them enough time to revise Sunday's decision. An urgent general meeting of the Union, we are glad to learn, is being held today to consider the situation again. We earnestly hope wiser counsels will prevail this time which is the final opportunity. Government has repeatedly given the assurances about the rights and duties of the Adjudicator and of his freedom from legalistic limitations. In view of these assurances, in view of Government's latest gesture of sympathy, in view of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's earnest call to them and in view of the hardships being suffered by the public, we earnestly hope that the Union will revise its decision and follow the lead of their trusted President, Mr. Abidali.

Slovakia "Quisling" President To Be Hanged

PRAGUE, April 15. (Reuter): Josef Tiso, "Quisling' President of Slovakia during the German occupation, was sentenced to death by hanging to-day.

Dr. Ferdinand Durcansky, Tiso's former Foreign Minister was also sentenced to death by hanging.

Tiso heard his sentence quietly and with resignation.

During his trial, he acknowledged that his Government had given military help to the Germans but denied he had signed a declaration of war on Britain and the United States.

Our Readers' Views

A B. E. S. T. Worker's Appeal

Sir,—In view of the resignation of our worthy President Mr. Abidali, consequent upon the failure of his appeal to us to call off the strike in the light of the impending dangers, our Union will become very weak and there will be no one to guide us properly as Mr. Abidali did. I can say without any fear of contradiction that the rejection of his appeal, made to us from the bottom of his heart, will lead us to our total ruin.

Some may think that it would be a humiliation to call off the strike and resume work, but the peint to be considered by us is not humiliation but our regard for our leader who wants us to call off the strike for our good. There are no ulterior motives behind his appeal. He has at heart the best interest of us all.

I would, therefore, most earnestly appeal to my brother workers that it is absolutely imperative to abide by what Mr. Abidali says and to resume work; otherwise the consequences will be very serious and our case will go by default without the presence of Mr. Abidali who, I am sure, will most willingly withdraw his resignation if we determine to call off the strike. Since we have accepted him as our leader, it is our first and foremost duty to respect him and not defy him.

We must not forget, in this connection the cases of the Ahmedabad textile workers and workers of the Indian United Mills, whom Mr. Abidali represented and the success they have achieved under him.

Instead of blaming either the B.E.S.T. Management or the Government, it would be better on our part to accept our leader's advice.—Yours, etc. BALKRISHNA G.

Maharashtra Unification Conference

BERAR AS INTEGRAL PART OF INDIAN UNION

Any Attempt To Foist Nizam's Sovereignty Will Be Resisted

JALGAON, April 15. (A.P.I.): The two-day session of the Maharashtra Unification Conference held here under the presidentship of Mr. Shankarrao Deo concluded last night after passing a number of resolutions including one on the future of Berar.

The resolution on the future of Berar stated that the attempts of the Nizam's Government regarding the retrocession of Berar and the latest statements and speeches made on behalf of the State were a threat to the work of the Constituent Assembly, in which the representatives of Berar were included. It asserted that Berar should form an integral and organic part of a Sovereign Indian Union. The resolution continues: "Any attempt to force the Nizam's sovereignty on Berar would be resisted by the people of Berar".

The Conference has called upon the Constituent Assembly and the Provisional Government to see that no step is taken to detract in any manner the position of Berar as an integral part of the Indian Union.

The resolution concluded by saying that any agreement between H.M.G. and the Government of Hyderabad which would prejudice the future of the people of Berar would not be binding on the people of Berar and such agreement or action would constitute an infringement of the sovereignty of the Indian Union.

ANOTHER PROTEST

By another resolution, the Conference has protested against the inclusion of the States of Janjira, Jawhar and Surgana in the proposed Confederation of the Western India States as they formed Marathi-speaking areas.

Other resolutions include one welcoming the Bombay Assembly's resolution on linguistic provinces, and another calling upon the Constituent Assembly to set up a machinery for the transfer of power according to H.M.G.'s statement of February 20 and the creation of homogeneous linguistic constituent units.

ELDERS PASS NICKEL RUPEE BILL

Capital Issue Control To Continue For Three More Years: Commission To Investigate Into Evasion Of Income Tax

NEW DELHI, April 15. (A.P.I.): The Council of State to-day passed the Bill to Amend the Indian Coinage Act enabling Government to issue nickel rupee coins.

The Finance Secretary, Sir Cyril Jones, stating that it was ultimately the confidence of the people in a Government, which determined their confidence in the country's currency, pointed out that the new nickel rupee currency would cost the Government only something like 1/40-1/50 of the expenditure incurred on the silver rupee. The advent of nickel rupee would relieve the foreign exchange resources of the country and enable them to be utilised for other pressing needs.

WORLD'S BEST MINT.

The Finance Secretary disclosed that India was going to have a new plant for minting nickel coins of all denominations. When this was set up, it would be the best mint in the world. He paid a tribute to the work done by the existing mints in India. They had minted during the war-years something like 8,700 million coins, with a peak of production in one year of 2,500 million coins—as against the pre-war production of about 300 million coins. Similarly, India would soon be in a position to print her own postage stamps. A new plant would be ready by 1949.

OBJECTIONS "PURELY SENTIMENTAL".

Mr. Mohammad Padshah, Mr. Kamaramat Ali and Pt. Kunzru welcomed the measure while a number of other members—Mrs. Subbaroyan, Mr. S. K. Das, Mr. Surput Singh, Mr. S. K. Ray-Choudhry and Mr. G. S. Motilal—although they did not vote against the Bill expressed themselves against the introduction of the nickel rupee and the withdrawal of the silver rupee coins, arguing that the silver rupee had been used from times immemorial for a number of purposes on auspicious occasions, 'Pujas', marriages, births, etc. The speakers said the new proposal would not be received well by the country.

Mr. S. K. Das asked what had Government done with the huge quantities of silver which they had got as a result of withdrawing former 100 per cent silver-rupee coins. Mr. Surput Singh said Britain was giving up her silver coinage because she was a debtor country. Why should India who had huge balances to her credit follow England?

Mr. Karamat Ali while welcoming the Bill urged that the one rupee notes be withdrawn and enough nickel rupee coins pumped into circulation. Pandit Kunzru pointed out that the silver rupee as such had ceased to exist 50 years ago. The present silver rupee was only 50 per cent silver. He said objections to the Bill were all purely sentimental and supported the Bill.

The Finance Secretary, replying to the debate stated that although India was a creditor country, she was a debtor in respect of silver. She owed America 230 million ounces of silver returnable in kind. If social and religious observances in the country demanded token silver or gold coins, he could see no reason why the mints should not produce half or one tola weights of the required size for such purposes if there was really a demand for them. The Bill was passed.

CONTROL OVER CAPITAL ISSUES TO STAY.

The Council passed the Finance Secretary's Bill to continue the control over capital issues for a period of another three years.

The Finance Secretary, Sir Cyril Jones said while he agreed that with the end of the war, control over capital issues had ceased to be as anti-inflationary a measure as before, he still thought it had an increasing value in ensuring that there was, a balanced investment of the country's resources in agriculture, industry and social services. Control over capital issues would, of course, be only a preliminary step in this direction, which worked in more or less a negative way. It could prevent the finances from being diverted in a particular direction, but could not ensure that those funds were diverted to useful types of investments.

After Mr. G. S. Motilal supported the Bill, the Bill was passed.

INVESTIGATION INTO TAX EVASION.

The Council also passed the Bill to provide for an investigation into matters relating to taxation.

Mr. G. S. Motilal described the Bill as a very good attempt to bring to book those people who had made considerable profits but who had tried to evade income taxes. The Government should, however, take into account the losses suffered by the people who had honestly paid the taxes. Mr. Motilal also urged the Government to take special care in dealing with high officials who might otherwise escape the normal course of law.

Pandit H. N. Kunzru said that it was not clear whether the Investigating Commission would be a permanent body and also whether it would continue investigations for an indefinite period. Pandit Kunzru thought that the purpose for which the Bill was framed could have been served without making any statutory power.

Dr. Ram Durga Singh, Mr. Surpat Singh and Mr. Mohammad Padshah also participated in the debate.

Replying to the debate, the Finance Secretary thanked the House for its support to the Bill. The Bill was passed.

The Council also passed the Bill to amend the motor vehicles act and the Bill providing for the control of shipping as passed by the Legislative Assembly.

The Council adjourned till tomorrow.

INDIANS IN AUSTRALIA

No Disabilities Due To Colour Bar, Says Sir R. Paranjpye

There is no colour discrimination in Australia and the Indian population which has settled down in the country does not suffer from any disabilities on account of race or colour.

This is the observation made by Sir Raghunath Paranjpye, Indian High Commissioner in Australia in the course of his report to the Government of India.

Under the present rules, adds Sir Raghunath, no Indians are allowed to enter the country for permanent residence. But merchants in wholesale business whose annual turnover exceeds £500, students and tourists can enter the country on special permits.

Efforts have been made since the appointment of Sir Raghunath Paranjpye as the Indian High Commissioner in Australia to remove the ignorance of Australians about India and her politics. Besides presenting the Indian problems in their proper perspective in speeches at various clubs and institutions, the High Commissioner requisitioned the services of a full-time Publicity Officer. There was favourable comment in the Australian Press on the non-theatrical shows of Indian documentary films depicting aspects of her history and economy.

INDIAN SETTLERS

The 1933 census of the Australian Commonwealth shows that the number of Indians settled in Australia was 4,544. Most of them came from the Punjab and the N.W.F. Provinces as petty traders and camel drivers before the coming into operation of the White Australia policy. All of them are more or less well settled in the country and are accepted as citizens on an equal footing with the nationals of the country.

The increased contacts between Australia and India necessitated by the war created widespread interest in Indian problems in Australia. Three Australia-India Associations were therefore started in Perth, Sydney and Melbourne.

The Indian Industrial Mission which visited Australia under the lead of Sir Datar Singh visited many industrial and agricultural centres for finding avenues for enlarged trade between the two countries.

"DISCOVERY OF INDIA"

Ballet At The Excelsior

The Indian National Theatre presented its historic ballet, based on Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's notable work "Discovery of India" before the delegates to the Inter-Asian Relations Conference at New Delhi last week. Armed with a number of congratulatory messages, including one from the author himself, and fortified by the encouraging response it received from Delhi patrons, the ballet will now be staged at the Excelsior for a week, beginning from 18th to 24th April, 1947.

As the book itself, so also the ballet depicts the cultural aspect of ancient India and the political aspect of Modern India. It begins with the coming of 'Nata Nati' (of the Sanskrit drama) who, at frequent intervals, during the earlier part of the ballet, act as links between the various periods and stages through which the caravan of Indian history and culture has passed all these thousands of years. Thus the Dravidians, the Aryans, the epics of Ramayana and Mahabharata, the spread of Buddhism, and the flowering of Indian culture at the Court of the Guptas, are all depicted and symbolised. In between these scenes, the ballet presents glimpses of village life, of trade and commerce, of forms of worship and change in the dress and costumes of the people. All throughout, the background music provides appropriate effects and subtly records the richness each period of Indian history endowed it with.

The ballet then depicts the coming of the Muslim and the triumphal march of Ghazni to the temple of Somnath, leaping to the Court of the Moghuls where the British trader comes to beg the permission of His Majesty to indulge in his apparent peaceful avocation. The establishment of the British rule in India, the revolt of 1857, the growth of the national movement, the 'divide and rule' policy of the rulers at work, the Jallianwala Baug massacre, the formation of the Congress ministries, etc., are all depicted in quick succession. The ballet ultimately ends with a powerful song of Freedom that it sung by all the Indians together, when the alien rule ends.

No dance-drama has ever before recorded the story of India from ancient times to the modern days. This ballet, therefore, is unique. It has been directed by Shanti Bardhan (Dance), Ravi Shankar (Music) and Chetan Kumar (decors and costumes). Tickets can be had from the Excelsior Theatre.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

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KARACHI, April 14: People in Karachi were surprised to see in the market a number of 1,000 rupee notes purporting to have been issued by the "Reserve Bank of Pakistan".

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PESHAWAR, April 14: Some Muslim League volunteers are reported to have entered the booking office of the Nowshera Railway Station yesterday and started issuing "Pakistan" tickets.

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Sardar Vallabhbhai has appealed to the Princely Order to enter the Constituent Assembly immediately and co-operate with the Congress in creating a strong Union Centre so that "India can hold her head in the comity of Nations".

What are India and her head worth if Divine and Dynastic Rights are lost?

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A dispute, we notice, is developing between Sir Mirza Ismail and Shri Shankerrao Deo over the future of Berar.

We, however, feel that it can be settled immediately, amicably and to the satisfaction of all concerned. In fact, we are sure of it. All that need be done is to invoke the assistance of Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Iyer who will give an Adjudicators' Award on the basis, say, of Sixteen Something A.D.

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At his prayer meeting at Bankipore, Mahatma Gandhi said that both in public and private conversations the Viceroy had declared that he was going to be the last Viceroy of India and that also only upto the 30th June, 1948.

Yes, yes, but what we all are intensely and keenly curious about is what else he has declared.

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Referring to the Noakhali situation Gandhiji said that if he were in place of Suhrawardy he would etc. etc. But he isn't.

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Replying to an inquiry by the Congress General Secretary, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, the Muslim League General Secretary, says "In view of the discussions which are now in progress between the Viceroy and the Indian leaders, it is not likely that a meeting of the Working Committee will be called until a definite stage in the talks has been reached".

Let's work it out: (1) The Viceroy will reach a definite stage in and about his talks about the end of May: (2) the League Working Committee needs a couple of weeks' notice to be called, therefore (3) it will meet not later than the third or fourth week of June. Which is quite early enough considering that Congress sent its invitation only in early March.

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Welcoming the Soviet Delegates to the Asian Conference on behalf of the T.U.C. Mr. Dange is reported to have promised that they would be extended an invitation once again to attend the second (sic) Inter-Asian Relations Conference by the working class rulers of India.

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The spring invasion of Palestine by European Jews has begun with the illegal immigrant ship "Theodore Herzl" which, however, was intercepted by British destroyers.

But by the way, what happened to the intercepted ships? Returned to the Invasion General-Staff?

VICHY AMBASSADOR EXECUTED

PARIS April 15. (Reuter): M. Fernand de Grinon, Vichy Ambassador in Paris during German occupation, was executed by a firing squad at Fort de Montrouge near Paris today.

He was sentenced to death by the Versailles High Court on the charge of intelligence with the enemy.

A. I. Manufacturers' Conference

Congress Should Show More Firmness In Policies

Comprehensive Trade Policy Urged: India Needs Foreign Capital For Financial Enterprise

NEW DELHI, April 15 (API): Sir M. Visvesvaraya, President, All India Manufacturers' Association, in his concluding remarks at the seventh annual Conference of the Association referred to the political situation in the country as it affected industrial progress and said: "The Congress has been hesitating, making concessions, sometimes showing irreconcilable opposition and at others implacable firmness. Their one supremely commendable idea has been the unity of the country, which no patriotic Indian can fail to appreciate. In the opinion of many people, the Congress should show more firmness in their policies and work for closer association with Indian States and all modern and moderate elements in the country.

The public should be made to realise that they live under a modern democratic national Government".

SOCIAL SECURITY

He said that "social security will improve with national unity, team spirit and co-operation. India is the home of Hindus and Muslims as well as of other communities. In the Business life of every country, small groups of one community are liable to be brought into economic dependence on large number of another community. If an antagonistic spirit is roused and maintained, there will be unending disputes, discord and friction. The more powerful bodies of either community will be stirred into a spirit of revenge by tales of real or alleged misbehaviour on the part of members of the opposite community and sooner or later the situation will lead to sanguinary conflicts. If provincial boundaries are divided on communal principles there will be agitation and disturbances now and then between the two communities or between the Provinces and other smaller residential areas".

The Conference passed a resolution criticising the Government's Import and Export Controls policy, in their present form and administration, as it "hampered the growth of industries and are not conducive to their industrialisation of the country"

TRADE POLICY NEEDED

The Conference urged the Government for the formulation of a comprehensive trade policy on the following lines; firstly, that import trade controls should be such as to facilitate easy acquisation of machinery, plant and raw materials needed by industry; secondly, ensure adequate supplies of raw materials to industries within the country and acquisition of those currencies which will be needed most by India for financing the import of her essential requirements; thirdly, removal or lowering import duties over machinery, machine tools and raw materials; fourthly, provide facilities for Indian manufacturers to develop their export trade and secure new markets and fifthly, the setting up of a financial institution to provide necessary "export credit" to the Indian manufacturers and traders.

IMPORT FOREIGN CAPITAL

The Conference discussed the desirability of importing foreign capital for the development of Indian industries and passed a resolution stating "it may be necessary to invite to some extent the flow of foreign capital into certain categories of industrial enterprise". It emphasised that such external capital as may be required should be secured preferably as a loan from foreign countries on equitable terms. It is thought that this would be possible particularly because of the high credit enjoyed by India in foreign capital markets.

Dalton's 'Smoke Less' Deal For Britain

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reduction next year", he added.

"I estimate £40,000,000 less for hire and operation of ships.

"We shall only need to find £1,000-000 for UNRRA—last year it was £90,000,000.

"We are providing £29,000,000 more for education this year, including school dinners and more scholarships"

COST OF LIVING SUBSIDY

Referring to the increase of £50,000-000 due to the increase in cost of living subsidy, Dr. Dalton said: "I am anxious to speak frankly about this.

"The estimated total cost of living subsidy this year was £425,000,000, of which £392,000,000 are for subsidies of food prices and £33,000,000 towards subsidy for utility clothing and footwear.

"This is a most formidable total which has grown very rapidly in the last few years. We have now reached a point where it is necessary to consider carefully whether we could face any further increase in the total cost of these subsidies".

He said that the policy of stabilising the cost of living index "had been wise and abundantly justified, but now we must pause and review it afresh".

THE BALANCE-SHEET

Dr. Hugh Dalton said he would lose some revenue as a result of snow, frost and floods, but "we do not expect any appreciable loss of revenue this year as a consequence of the three weeks stoppage of industry from cutting off of electricity last February".

There will be loss of revenue which cannot yet be estimated, but which may be large from income-tax and profits tax in the financial year 1948 to 49.

"That is when we shall feel it", said the Chancellor.

He concluded the review of revenue by stating: "I estimate a total revenue for 1947-48 on the existing basis of taxation of £3,429,000,000 as against an expenditure of £3,181,000,000. This gives me a prospective surplus of £248,000,000".

DANGER OF INFLATION

Dr. Hugh Dalton warned the House that the prospective surplus could not be regarded available for wholesale tax reductions. There were two reasons for this—many receipts were non-recurring and it was not yet clear whether on the existing basis of taxation there will be another surplus next year. Among other things, there would be increased expenditure on social services and particularly on health following the transfer of hospitals from local to national ownership.

He said: "today deflation is no more an immediate danger. The immediate danger is of inflation going beyond bounds and breaking through the various controls we have set up. Another year, particularly if trade depression were to start somewhere else in the world, inflation rather than deflation might be the danger. In that case, I should not hesitate to ask Parliament and the country to approve a budget deficit, if need be a large one".

CHEAP MONEY POLICY

Reviewing Government's cheap money policy, Dr. Dalton said that now was a favourable opportunity for consolidating the great advances made in the last 18 months in reducing the rates of interest of Government borrowings.

"On direct Government borrowing alone, the taxpayer has been saved nearly £40,000,000 a year since October 1945.

"In the years ahead, still more substantial and lasting benefits will result from adherence to cheap money policy and it is our intention resolutely to adhere to it", he added.

Britain had an overseas deficit of £400,000,000 on trading account last year. The total overseas deficit for 1947 might be a good deal higher, he feared, unless we took vigorous action to reduce it. Hard currency deficit was also about £400,000,000.

"EXPORT OR EXPIRE".

Dr. Hugh Dalton continued: "We must export or we shall expire".

In the months ahead exports and imports must be brought more nearly into balance. Imports must be severely limited, however disagreeable. Taxation would play its part in stimulating export and reducing needless imports.

He announced the repeal of Excise Duty on artificial silk as from May 1 next.

He said he would continue for the present the existing subsidy on home produced fuel and gas oils and would repeal the duty of one penny per gallon these oils.

Dr. Dalton announced an increase in the earned income relief, raising the maximum relief from £150 to £250, he increased child allowance from £50 to £60, restoring the allowance to the pre-war figure. These allowance-increases would relieve 750,000 people of all income-tax payment, he said.

TOTAL TAX REDUCTIONS.

The total cost of tax reductions would be £96,000,000 in the full year and £80,000,000 this year.

The Chancellor said that he had carefully considered a tax on betting, but was convinced that he could not get substantial revenue from it. It would be possible to tax totalisator, but it would be unjust to tax this alone and let the bookmaker go free. To tax all forms of betting would present the most formidable administrative difficulties.

He could hold out no hope for reduction in the total weight of motor taxes. The present revenue must be maintained.

The Chancellor proposed to double all stamp duties relating to stocks and shares.

He proposed also, subject to relief for small transactions, to double the stamp duty on transfers of real property.

He proposed an additional stamp duty of 10 per cent on the value of all bonus issues passed by the Capital Issues Committee which would have extensive discretion.

PROFITS TAX INCREASE.

The Chancellor said that he proposed to increase the Profits Tax to 12 and a half per cent in distributed profits, but proposed to leave the profits Tax at the present level of five per cent on undistributed profits.

Dr. Dalton proposed to raise the customs duty on imported tobacco leaf by about 50 per cent. The effect of this would be, "I break the news brutally to the House", that the price of a packet of 20 cigarettes "will be raised from two shillings and four pence to three shillings and four pence".

The price of most pipe tobaccos would go up by about one shilling and two pence per ounce.

About 80 per cent of the tobacco was imported from the United States. "To satisfy this insatiable demand we are drawing heavily and improvidently on the dollars", he added.

The Customs Duty on imported leaf would be increased from 35 shillings and six pence per pound weight to 54 shillings and ten pence per pound weight.

Dr. Dalton announced that the privilege to the forces of purchasing from canteens at prices in force before 1942 must be discontinued from April 27 (members of the forces could buy a limited number of cigarettes in the canteens for eighteen pence per packet for which civilians paid two shillings and four pence).

He said he had set a target of one-quarter reduction in the total national consumption of tobacco which he regarded as the "minimum of patriotic duty". He estimated a saving of 30,000,000 dollars this year.

Dr. Dalton said that tax reduction would cost £84,000,000 this year and £96,000,000 in the full year. Tax increases would bring in £106,000,000 this year and £149,000,000 in the full year.

I count on a balance of £22,000,000 this year and £53,000,000 in the full year and my prospective surplus for this year is raised from £248,000,000 to £270,000,000."

Frontier Situation Takes Serious Turn

DERA ISMAIL KHAN IN FLAMES

Leaguers Resort To Arson: Damage Public Property

PESHAWAR, APRIL 15, (A.P.I.): NUMEROUS FIRES ARE RAGING IN DERA ISMAIL KHAN TODAY. THE SITUATION IN THE CITY IS DESCRIBED AS SERIOUS, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S 'COMMUNIQUE' ISSUED BY THE FRONTIER GOVERNMENT ON THE COMMUNAL SITUATION IN THE PROVINCE.

TROOPS RUSHED: CURFEW IMPOSED.

Troops and constabulary has been sent from Bannu and Manzai to assist military and police already in the town. Curfew has been imposed.

LEAGUERS DID IT.

A procession started from the Muslim League office this morning and divided itself into different parties, the 'communique' adds. One party went towards the courts and post office and caused damage to the buildings. The other parties went into the city and set fire to shops and residential houses in different parts in the town.

ALL QUIET IN AMRITSAR.

AMRITSAR, April 15. (A.P.I.): All is quiet in Amritsar to-day. No incidents are reported upto 3 p.m. Curfew restrictions, however, continue.

DAY-LONG CURFEW IN GUJRANWALA.

GUJRANWALA, April 15. (A.P.I.): Day-long curfew has been imposed on Gujranwala city, south of the railway line to-day following an attempt to set fire to the residence of a medical practitioner. This curfew which will be in force from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. is in addition to the usual curfew hours—8 p.m. to 6 a.m.

An explosion shook the city this morning. No damage or loss of life is reported so far.

A utensil maker sustained serious injuries as a result of an explosion which took place in his shop last evening. The police reached the spot and took possession of some articles.

Tension prevails in the city. Police and military are patrolling the streets.

ONE STABBING IN DELHI.

NEW DELHI, April 15. (A.P.I.): One stabbing incident occurred this evening near Queen's Gardens. The injured person has been removed to hospital

CAWNPORE HARTAL.

CAWNPORE, April 15. (A.P.I.): The Hindus of Cawnpore observed a hartal to-day as a protest against the alleged unjust attitude of the autnorities towards the Hindus. Important Hindu markets were closed.

The hartal was organised by the Hindu Sangh. The demands of the Sangh among others are that firearms taken from the Hindus should be returned, punitive tax imposed on the Hindus should be withdrawn and respectable Hindus arrested from places where they were in a minority should be set at liberty.

ACTING EDITOR OF "KHIDMAT" ARRESTED.

SRINAGAR, April 15. (A.P.I.): Mohammad Kashpi, acting editor of "Khidmat", the organ of the Kashmir National Conference, was arrested this morning. This brings the total number of arrests to 16 in connection with the attempt on the life of Mr. Premnath A. Bazaz, editor of "Hamdard", on Friday last.

POLICE OUTRAGE IN BURRABAZAR?

CALCUTTA, April 15. (U.P.I.): Enquiries in the Medical College Hospital reveal that 15 persons 11 men and 4 women were brought to the hospital last night for treatment. One was a case of alleged criminal assault and others were reported to have been injured by lathis and butt-ends of guns. They were brought from a house under the Burrabazar police station.

Mr. Basantalal Murarka, M.L.A., a Congress leader of Calcutta told the press that some members of the Calcutta Police entered a house in the Burrabazar area and assaulted men and women there.

3 KILLED: 13 INJURED.

The "A.P.I." adds: A Bengal Government press note issued at 9-30 p.m. to-night says:—Five or six more incidents were reported after mid-day. Improvement reported yesterday was maintained.

In one case in which a Bustee was attacked and private guns and bombs were used, the Military fired one round and ten arrests were made on the spot. Twelve arrests were made following two minor cases of arson and five in connection with an incident of assault.

According to reports received from 18 police stations about 150 persons were arrested during the last 24 hours.

Three persons died and 13 were injured in to-day's incidents.

There is nothing to report from Howrah".

SEC. 144 IN MADRAS.

MADRAS, April 15. (A.P.I.): The Commissioner of Police to-day promulgated an order under Sec. 144 in the city, prohibiting the assembly of five or more persons in any public place and the carrying of fire-arms and other weapons.

The order is a precautionary measure against demonstrations or acts of violence which may arise out of the Buckingham and Carnatic Mill workers strike, which has continued from March 11.

Calcutta Tram Strike Ends

Labour Minister's Talks With B.T.U.C. Chief Bear Fruit

CALCUTTA, April 15 (API).—The Calcutta tram strike, which has continued for 82 days, is being called off, announces the Labour Minister to the Bengal Government, Mr. Shamsuddin Ahmed. He adds that the tram cars will start running once more as soon as the track has been cleared.

About 8,000 tramway workers were involved in the strike, which had resulted in the complete stoppage of all tram services in Calcutta and suburbs.

Mr. Shamsuddin Ahmed states that a settlement has been possible as a result of the talks which he started last week with the President of the Bengal Trade Union Congress, Mr. Mrinal Kanti Bose. Mr. Bose was given facilities to consult officials of the Calcutta Tramway Workers Union who are at present in jail custody. The final terms of settlement were drawn up this morning.

ROY AS TRIBUNAL.

The ad interim terms for calling off the strike are subject to adjustment in accordance with the decisions of the tribunal to whom the dispute has been referred for adjudication. Mr. S. N. Guha Roy, I.C.S., Commissioner for Workmen's Compensation, has been appointed as the tribunal.

The ad interim terms of settlement lay down that the whole dispute, together with an issue whether or not strike pay with dearness allowance or compensation in any form is to be paid, shall be referred to the tribunal. The whole of the award will be enforced. It is also provided that the strike shall be called off at once and immediately thereafter all prosecutions in connection with the strike shall be withdrawn. All persons arrested will thus be released and warrants of arrest pending execution will be withdrawn. A flat ad interim increment of Rs. 7/8 per month will be announced for all, subject to a minimum basic wage of Rs. 30 being given.

REMARKABLE VICTORY

The President of the Bengal Trade Union Congress, Mr. Mrinal Kanti Bose, in a statement, says that the agreement in regard to the dispute was signed this morning by the Labour Commissioner on behalf of Government the Agent of the Tramway Company on behalf of the Company, and by Mr. Bose on behalf of the Bengal Trade Union Congress, subject to approval by a mass meeting of Tramway workers. He hopes the strike will soon be called off.

Mr. Bose adds that the workers have achieved a remarkable victory and the strenuous attempt to break the solidarity of the workers has completely failed. Mr. Bose thanks the Labour Minister, Labour Commissioner and other officials as well as the Agent of the Company for having assisted in reaching a settlement.

Calcutta Port Strike Hits Kerosene Distribution

NEW DELHI, April 15, (A. P. I.): As a result of a prolonged labour strike in the Port of Calcutta, no effective dredging of the shoals in the Hooghly river could be carried out during the months of March and April and estrictions had to be imposed on the movement of tankers carrying petroluem products to the oil installations at Budge Budge, says a press note. It has been found necessary to make a cut of 50 per cent in the present quota of kerosene available for distribution in the Calcutta supply area which covers not only Bengal but parts of Bihar, Orissa, U. P. and C. P.

BAN ON NANDEDKAR LIFTED

The political exile Mr. Mahadeo Abaji Nandedkar (U.S.A.) is free to return to India as the ban against his entry has been lifted.

Mr. Nandedkar of Indore is a Pharmaceutical chemist and a Pharmaceutical graduate and B.Sc. from the University of Cornell (U.S.A.). He has been in exile for the last over 38 years, and was sentenced to imprisonment in America for revolutionary activities against the Government of India during the Great War and in 1919 a request for amnesty by his father the late Mr. Abaji Raoji Nandedkar was refused as a capital offence against the Government of India had been committed.

Mr. M. A. Nandedkar's parents and wife all of them died broken hearted during his absence.

End Governor's Raj In Punjab

LAHORE, April 15. (A.P.I.): Opposition to the continuance of the Governor's Rule in the Punjab under Section 93 of the Government of India Act is voiced by Mr. C. E. Gibbon, M.L.A. (Punjab) and member of the Constituent Assembly and President of the Anglo-Indian Association in a statement.

Mr. Gibbon says: my recent talks with Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah and other top ranking leaders in Delhi, have strengthened by belief in the people's right to be governed by laws which they make themselves, through the agency of their elected representatives, under whatsoever form of Government it be and not by a Governor exercising his authority and drawing his inspiration, if any, from Section 93 of the Government of India Act, 1935, which in 14 months from now or earlier, will be a dead letter.

In the Punjab, the Muslims are in the majority, and as I have stated on more occasions than one, no constitution based on the principles of democracy, can deprive them of their rightful place in the political set-up of the State.

As the representative of the Anglo-Indian community in the Punjab, I cannot ignore the implications of the recent speeches and statements made by the leaders of the Congress and the Muslim League and, in particular, the latest pronouncement of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, leaves me with no option but to enter into negotiations with the majority party in the Punjab for the protection of the legitimate rights and interest of my community in a Free and Democratic State.

ELECTRIC MOTORS INDUSTRY

BOMBAY, April 15, (A.P.I.): The Indian Tariff Board which met this morning took up the case for protection or assistance to the electric motors manufacturing industry, the case being limited to 30 H. P.

Considering the various aspects of the industry such as the quality of the Indian motors, availability of raw materials and questions of costs and comparison with landed costs of imported motors the Board was of the opinion that so far as cost was concerned there appeared to be no case for protection to the Indian industry. The Indian producers were sufficiently covered by the present revenue duty.

GENERAL & EDUCATION DEPARTMENTS SPLIT UP

The present General and Educational Departments of the Government of Bombay have been split up into two departments, viz., the Health and Local Government Department and the Education and Industries Department from April 14, 1947. The Education and Industries Department will for the present work under a Joint Secretary. The Secretary to Government, Health and Local Government Department, will continue to be the Secretary to Government in the Education and Industries Department.

J. J. Singh To Meet Pethick-Lawrence

LONDON, April 15. (Reuter): Mr. J. J. Singh, President of the India League of America, arrived in London last night by air.

He told "Reuter" to-day that he was meeting the Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence, on Friday and that during a fortnight's stay in London he expects to meet several members of the British Cabinet with whom he will discuss the present political situation in India.

GOVT. OF INDIA EMPLOYEES ON TOKEN STRIKE

BOMBAY, April 15. (A.P.I.): Employees of the Industries and Civil Supplies Department and Allied Offices of the Government of India in Bombay went on a half-day token strike today as a protest against the retrenchment of 63 members of the staff

The strikers held a meeting and urged the reinstatement of the retrenched employees.

Role Of Free India In World Peace

WILLIAM PHILLIPS ON CHALLENGE TO INDIAN LEADERSHIP

NEW YORK, April 15. (Reuter): The former United States Under-Secretary of State Mr. William Phillips, who was President Roosevelt's Representative to India in 1943, declared in a speech in New York "Both India and America are now marching together along the new road towards the goal of mutual confidence, mutual sympathies and understanding".

In an address at a dinner in honour of the Indian Ambassador, Mr. Asaf Ali, given by the India League of America, Mr. Phillips said: "I for one have confidence in the wisdom of Indian leaders and in their ability to find a way to overcome their problems, so that a great Indian nation will arise strong and free and in a position to contribute a powerful voice in maintaining peace in the world. India has the opportunity which has been given to no other country of drawing the East and the West into closer sympathy and collaboration, and this should be her great endeavour.

HOPEFUL OF SOLUTION.

"We in this country are following the course of events in India with close attention and sympathy appreciating as we do the intensity of dividing interests but, nevertheless, hopeful of a solution.

"India has so much to offer to the world that it would indeed be a tragedy if she emerges from the struggle a broken country without the strength and dignity of a great nation and without a powerful voice in world affairs".

Mr. Phillips asserted the task of the day "is to build civilisation. This cannot be done unless the relations between India and America are developed on a sound and comprehensive basis with thoroughly trained leaders who can guide the limitless possibilities of constructive relations between the two countries".

He said that by a long series of events the people of India had been "cruelly impoverished". He added, "They need industrialisation and other technical services for the revival of their industries. They need our active co-operation in innumerable development projects—needs which we are in a position to meet, if peace can be restored within the country".

Mr. Phillips paid a tribute to the work of the Asia Institute, an organisation which seeks to combine research and scholarship of the highest character, training and education, both theoretical and practical and to impart to the American public at large a knowledge of the great civilisation of Asia, their inter-relationship, and their promise for the future".

Mr. Phillips referred to the latest institute to be established in America in this connection—the India Institute—of which he is the first president.

"This new institute will support a thorough and comprehensive education covering All-India affairs, language and literature, art philosophy, history and economics.

"While we in this country are turning our thoughts towards India in what, I hope, is a practical and constructive manner, it is encouraging that a group of distinguished Indians are contributing substantially to our efforts and with a view to the establishment of a branch of our institute in India.

"It is encouraging to us to know that there is genuine realisation in India of the importance of advancing knowledge of this country and of paving the way for a better understanding of American thought and ideals".

RENEWED VIET NAM ACTIVITY IN HANOI

HANOI, April 15 (Reuter): Renewed activity by Viet Nam (Indo Chinese Nationalist) Forces has been started in the Hanoi region, according to French sources.

French troops in a village near Laikhe, 65 kilometres from Hanoi, were attacked yesterday by a force of about 50 Nationalists with armed help of the villagers, the French beat off the attack.

After another clash in the Langson area, near the Chinese Frontier, a Viet Nam Force of 300 surrendered to the French. The French also captured 30 prisoners and destroyed a Viet Nam ammunition dump and a telephone communications centre during mopping up operations near Thaibing, 85 kilometres south-east of Hanoi the sources add.

Viet Namese troops made a heavy and sustained attack supported by mortars on French positions at Hadong, 10 kilometres south-west of Hanoi, yesterday before dawn, semi-official French sources reported. The attackers retreated with considerable losses after several hours' fierce fighting in which the French used tanks, the sources added.

China Silent On Korea's Independence

NANKING, April 15, (Reuter): Mr. George Marshall, United States Secretary of State, has officially informed the Chinese Government of the contents of the letter which he sent to M. Vyacheslav Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, asking the Soviet Union to co-operate in restoring Korean Independence, it was stated here today.

A spokesman for the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs said that Mr. Marshall handed a copy of the letter to Mr. T. S. Foo, the Chinese Ambassador in Russia, adding that at present the Chinese Foreign Ministry had no statement to make on China's attitude to the Korean problem.

In his letter to M. Molotov, Mr. Marshall asked that meetings of the Joint Russian American Commission in Korea should be resumed to hasten the setting up of a Provisional Government in Korea.

STANDARD PLAN FOR AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL

Delegates From 32 Nations Confer At Paris

PARIS, April 15. (Reuter): Delegates from 32 nations began a conference here to-day to find a standard plan for air traffic control over the whole of Europe and the Mediterranean.

A spokesman said that this was the first hard attempt to get down to working out a standardised international scheme covering radio approach, safety aids, landing procedure and airfield control.

Restriction On Export Of Tea Withdrawn

NEW DELHI, April 15, (A. P. I.): While lifting the ban on private export of tea from 1st January 1947, the Government of India had imposed a quantitative restriction on the monthly exports of tea on private account to ensure adequate reserve of tea for internal consumption, says a press note.

As the new tea crop is now available in the market, the Government of India have after considering the internal stock position has withdrawn with effect from the 1st April 1947 the quantitative restriction imposed on monthly exports of tea.

League Parliamentary Board Meets

NEW DELHI, April 15, (A. P. I.): A meeting of the Central Parliamentary Board of the All-India Muslim League was held today, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan presiding. Khwaja Nazimuddin and Chaudhry Khaliquzzaman who recently visited Bengal attended the meeting.

It is learnt that the Board took a decision on the question of the reshuffle of the Bengal Cabinet.

AMERICA TO GET BACK ON GOLD STANDARD

Quickest Way To Cure World's Financial Ailments

NEW YORK, (By Air Mail): (U. P. A.): Getting America back on the gold standard is a major ambition of many people in this country, and several noted economists have expressed the view that a return to gold as a basis for U.S. dollars would be the quickest and easiest way to cure many of the world's financial ailments.

Those favouring the gold standard declare that the yellow metal alone has proved stable as a base for currency; that history proves nations made their biggest economic strides when they were on the gold standard. They say that in many foreign countries, including India, even the highly prized American dollar lacks the power it would have if it were backed by gold.

ECONOMISTS' COMMITTEE.

So deeply is the movement for a return to the gold standard becoming entrenched that a group of prominent financial men has formed an organization which has that goal as one of its major objectives. Known as the Economists' National Committee on Monetary Policy, the organization lists the following as its main purposes:

1. To enlighten the public as to the economics of the monetary issues before the country.
2. To educate the public as to the desirability of an early return to a gold standard.
3. To combat unsound monetary programmes such as those of the inflationists, devaluationists, and commodity dollar advocates.
4. To issue public statements on current monetary issues as circumstances seem to warrant.
5. To place speakers at the disposal of the public.
6. To distribute its own and other literature.
7. To suggest from among its members experts for those who wish such aid.

U. S. BULLION IMPORTS & EXPORTS.

WASHINGTON, April 14, (U. P. A.): The Census Bureau today reported that U. S. gold exports during the week ended March 19th amounted to $162,888 including: India, 34,456; Cuba, 3,843; Brazil, 70,089; Uruguay, 5,900; and Philippines, 48,900.

Silver exported amounted to 8,201 dollars, all of which went to Canada.

Gold imports totalled 11,243,856 dollars including: Canada, 2,215,993; Mexico, 52,763; El Salvador, 4,424; Nicaragua, 177,957; Cuba, 206; British Guiana, 22,774; Ecuador, 68,293; Peru, 26,174; Chile 54,986; United Kingdom, 350; Philippines, 14,218; New Zealand, 52,972; British Oceania, 486,824; and South Africa, 8,065,922.

Silver iports totalled 999,918 dollars, including; Canada 84,860; Mexico, 612,320; El Salvador, 36; Nicaragua, 3,543; Ecuador, 2,724; Peru, 86,322; Argentina, 195,899; United Kingdom, 20; Philippines, 589; British Oceania, 3,596.

Gold exports during the week ended March 26th totalled $15,675,624, including: India, 663,472; Cuba, 7,127; Uruguay, 15,000,968; United Kingdom, 120,750; France, 31,495; Syria, 673,754; Saudi Arabia, 110,758; Philippines, 67,300.

Silver exports totalled $2,274,097 including: Canada, 405,368; Brazil, 4,666; United Kingdom, 1,486,229; Netherlands, 46,600; France, 306,046; and Portugal, 25,186.

Gold imports totalled 533,941 dollars, including: Canada 113,859; Mexico, 64,897; El Salvador, 1,750; Honduras, 14,297; Nicaragua, 79,773; Cuba, 14,417; Peru, 167,218; Chile, 32,695; New Zealand, 44,935

Silver imports totalled 1,261,388 dollars, including: Canada, 51,300; Mexico, 796,954; El Salvador, 560; Honduras, 63,921; Nicaragua, 2,713; 100; Peru, 322,450; Chile, 1,038; and Australia, 12452.

China Arranges To Buy American Cotton

SHANGHAI, April 14. (U.P.A.): The Central Bank has arranged with the National City Bank of New York for financing the importation of 230,000 bales of cotton valued at dol 40,000,000 it was learned to-day.

Under the arrangement, the National City Bank will negotiate with shippers to bill in accordance with licenses approved by the Board for temporary regulation of imports. This will enable shippers to be paid upon the shipment of cotton and in the meantime, mills in Shanghai will settle the question of exchange in accordance with the schedules announced on March 19th.

Officials pointed out that the arrangement will enable Chinese cotton mills to take advantage of the four cent per pound cotton subsidy which applies to cotton purchased before February 13th and shipped before June 30th. It is also hoped that it would help to curtail the recurrent inflationary trend in China by holding down cotton yarn prices. It was further said that this amount of cotton together with U.N.R.R.A. shipments from the local crop and current stock are expected to keep the principal mills in China going until the end of the year.

D. F. Karaka:

Off My Chest

WITHOUT COMMENT:

"Princess Niloufer of Hyderabad, the Turkish-born wife of Prince Muazzam Jah, who is on her first visit to Britain has been enormously impressed by the good humour and cheerfulness of the British people."

—News-item from "Times of India," centre-page.

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Robert Aura Smith of the "N. Y. Times" has written a book called "Divided India" published by the new firm of Whittlesey House.

The publishers ad. calls the book "an objective, eye-opening revelation of India".

The Book of the month "Club News" said:

"Scrupulous ...admirable and convincing. He shows us the problem as it is ... religion, caste, clashing political ideals ... claims, manifestos, counter-claims, which for most of us shut out any vision of one of the greatest post-war problems."

Always time to learn.

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I watch the "N. Y. Times" best-seller list carefully. I was surprised when I saw it once headed by the most mediocre of books "The Hucksters", today, looking at the recent issue I find "Lydia Bailey" by Roberts heading the Fiction list and "Peace of Mind" by Liebman at the top of the General list.

The general list is interesting:

Peace of Mind
Information Please Almanac
The Egg & I
The Roosevelt I Knew
The Plotters
Pearl Harbor
The Lincoln Reader
The Strange Alliance

and so on till No. 16 on the list appears:

Arnall's "The Shore Dimly Seen".

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In India the best-seller for a long while has been the "Panchang" with special references to the ups and downs of the Bombay Share Bazar.

Jai Hind!

CEYLON INDIAN CONGRESS

Nehru And Kripalani Unable To Attend Session

COLOMBO, April 15, (A.P.I.): Mr. V. V. Giri, former member of the Madras Congress Government, is expected to arrive here tomorrow by train accompanied by his wife to participate in the Seventh Annual Session of the Ceylon Indian Congress which will be held at Nawalapitiya on April 18 and 19.

Pandit Nehru, Acharya Kripalani and Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, who were also invited to attend the Session have expressed themselves unable to do so in view of the present situation in India though all of them declared they were eager to visit Ceylon.

The Annual Session of the Ceylon Indian Congress will be followed by the Sixth Annual Session of the Ceylon Indian Congress Labour Union.

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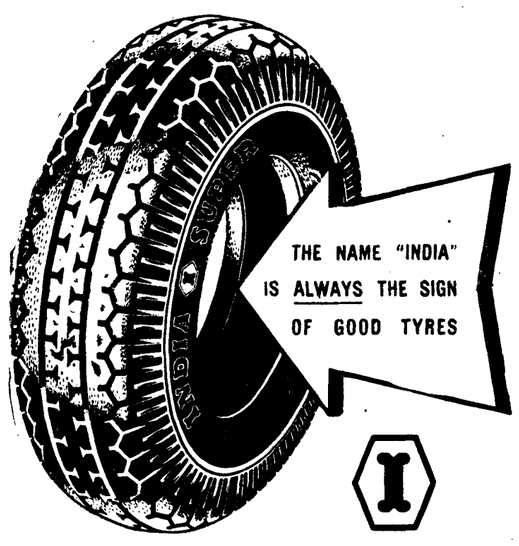
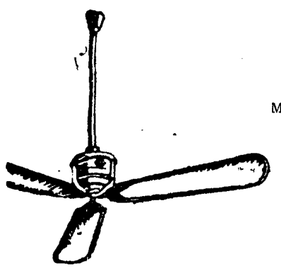
New consumers wishing to join the Government's high quality Milk Scheme from May 1, 1947, are reminded that they must obtain their identification card on payment of rupee one from their nearby Milk Centre by 6 P.M on April 16 1947.





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Wallace's Speeches Create Storm

CHARGE OF 'UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES' IN HIS CAMPAIGN

WASHINGTON, April 15 (A.P.A.) Chairman J. Parnell Thomas of the House of Representatives' Committee of un-American activities said yesterday, that the Department of Justice has no alternative to taking action against the former vice-President Henry Wallace, for statements made in Britain.

Thomas told reporters that his committee had considered the law, which forbids any American citizen to deal with a foreign government or its agents on a matter in dispute between the two governments or in any way "to defeat measures of the government of the United States."

Thomas said, "It covers Henry Wallace, just as you would cover a person with a cloak."

The Chairman said that his committee planned no action, but it "is clearly a matter for the Attorney General to take action."

PERSIAN PAPER'S ACCUSATION

TEHERAN, April 14 (Reuter): The Teheran right wing newspaper "Bendagi" today called former United States vice-President, Henry Wallace, an "international intriguer."

It asked the United States Ambassador to Persia to report to the United States Government the 'Persian Government's disapproval of Mr. Wallace's speech in which he reported" accused Persia of having an anti-Soviet policy. Persia was on the "best relations" with Russia, the paper said.

MOLOTOV TORPEDOES U. S. PLAN

NEW YORK, (By Telephone from Moscow), April 14 (U.P.A.): Molotov torpedoed any hope that the Big Four can reach any agreement on the Special Disarmament Pact for Germany by demanding that such a treaty guarantee the Soviets a voice in the special regime for the Ruhr.

Molotov not only specifically rejected the principle of such a treaty but proposed such drastic amendments, including practically every disagreed issue on Germany, as would make the treaty unrecognizable and totally unacceptable to the United States, Britain, or France.

The United States treaty draft designed, when submitted a year ago a four-power special military alliance which through special Control and Inspection Commissions and the allocation of armed forces to act on violation, would prevent German rearmament.

Molotov's surprise move came after Marshall demanded an answer now from each of the three other powers—yes or no—whether they wanted such a special disarmament treaty.

Bevin and Bidault welcomed the American plan and agreed with Marshall to set up special plenipotentiaries at once to work out the details.

Molotov proposed a number of radical amendments, all of which would fundamentally change the treaty's purpose. These demanded, firstly, that the treaty must include mention of de-Nazification as well as demilitarization. Two, it must include provision for a four-power special control of the Ruhr. Three, it must include a provision for liquidation of German trusts and nationalization of their property. Four, it must include land reform proposals. Five it must provide for the setting up of a democratic order in Germany. Six, it would propose occupation would end only when the Allies recognize that certain basic objectives have been achieved, including the fulfillment of Germany's reparations debt.

Soviet May Abolish Censorship

MOSCOW, April 14 (Reuter): The American presidential candidate, Mr. Harold Stassen declared here today that in a private interview he had had with Generalissimo Stalin, the latter held out little hope that the Soviet Union will abolish its press censorship.

Reply To Suhrawardi

ARSON AND INTIMIDATION CONTINUE IN NOAKHALI

NOAKHALI, April 14 (API): Mr. Satish Chandra Das Gupta, the Bengal Congress Leader, who is now in Noakhali, has issued the following statement from Kagirkhil camp:—

"I have hitherto refrained from making any statement to the press. I was only giving the facts about the Noakhali incidents to local authorities and the Chief Minister, and sending copies of these to Mahatma Gandhi I did so, and did not make any public statement, to enable the Government to work unembarassed.

But the Chief Minister's statement of Saturday last needs a reply. He has made a misstatement that I published reports in the press. Cases of arson, boycott and intimidation are occurring despite what reports he may have had from the District authorities. We want the Hindus to live here. Therefore, the creation of panic is against my plan.

My telegrams to the Chief Minister and Mahatma Gandhi were statement of facts. The Chief Minister had declared them to be unreal. I have to differ. I have given 93 cases to the Superintendent of Police from 14th February.

These require study and call for taking steps after enquiry. They also indicate the trend of the communal situation. It is said that cases against most of the accused in the last October riot are not to be proceeded with. This is significant and disquieting. Absconders are about and creating mischief. Their activities have to be stopped

Some of the most trusted constructive workers of Bengal are working in the Gandhi camp. Also, there are companions of Mahatma Gandhi from Sevagram, and Colonel Jimansingh. We all share the same about the present situation, circumstances differing according to the localities. We hope to carry on and hope that people will remain steady and undemoralised against odds.

Despite the Chief Minister's statement I would expect a change in Government policy if he really wants Mahatma Gandhi to work in Bihar.

Boycott Of Indian Traders In South Africa

Direct Result Of Economic Sanctions, Says Smuts

CAPETOWN, April 14 (Reuter).—During the resumed debate in the Committee of Supply on Prime Minister Smuts' vote today (Monday) Mr. J. R. F. Stratford, the United Party Member from Parktown, Johannesburg said that he had received a telegram from the Secretary of the Transvaal Indian Congress saying that the boycott of Transvaal Indian traders continues unabated and accompanied by bitter racial propaganda.

The telegram said that authentic reports from many centres clearly indicated that the boycotters were taking the law into their own hands, illegally boycotting Indian stores and intimidating European shoppers. Mr. Stratford said the Government should state its attitude as the boycott was developing into a movement with dangerous potentialities and it appeared in various parts of the country as something like rioting taking place.

The boycott, he said, was clearly the outcome of India's economic sanctions against South Africa. India's sanctions had caused considerable hardship to many people in South Africa and were likely to increase the price of maize. This was the first time that there had been an organised boycott of Indian traders in South Africa but it was understandable and not the unexpected India's sanctions had been imposed illegally and without reference to the UNO and therefore, the boycott lay largely at India's own door. Persuasion would have to be brought to bear to remove the sanction.

Mr. Stratford said that a few minutes earlier he had received a telegram saying that boycott organisers were distributing leaflets in strong language, one of which said "coolies' neck shall and must be broken." He hoped Government would take the strongest measures against illegal action by the boycotters.

Nationalist Member, Mr. E. H. Louw, said the Indians must have expected the boycott. It was purely retaliation to passive resistance which itself was a form of boycott. The South African passive resisters had, in the first instance, appealed to India to apply sanctions. Now when Transvaal farmers retaliated, they "squealed." "You must talk to Indians in the language they understand and the only language they understand is boycott.

It is their favourite weapon."

Mr. Louw added that the responsibility now rested with the Indian Government to stop the Transvaal boycott of Indian traders.

Replying, General Smuts said the boycott movement was undoubtedly the direct result of the harm, bitterness and injustice brought by the Indian Government trade sanctions. It was a matter which could only be solved by discussion between the two Governments. In dealing with the matter it is necessary to go to the root of the trouble—the question of sanctions imposed. It is a matter to be taken up with the Government of India. It must be taken up by the two Governments indirectly or directly with a view to eliminating the trouble," General Smuts said.

He hoped at a later date to be in a position to state what had been done in this connection but the time was not yet ripe for a full discussion of the question, which would come after.

MALAN'S MOTION DEFEATED

CAPE TOWN, April 14 (Reuter).—A motion of Doctor Malan, Opposition Leader, for the reduction of Premier Smuts' salary by 100 sterling on an external affairs vote has been defeated by 75 votes to 35.

NEW YORK MAYOR RECEIVES ASAF ALI

Brief Ceremony At City Hall

NEW YORK, April 14, (Reuter): Mr. Asaf Ali India's first Ambassador to the United States was officially received by New York's Mayor, Mr. William O'Dwyer, in a brief ceremony at the City Hall today The Ambassador is visiting the city for a banquet in his honour to be given by the India League of America.

The Mayor expressed hopes for the success of India and her people. Mr. Asaf Ali, replying, thanked the Mayor for the friendly interest which New York is taking in India. "I am indebted to you for the courtesy and kindness you have shown me by receiving me," he said. "It proves your —and I take it New York's — friendly and farseeing interest in my country at a time when my country is embarking from a long night of restless sleep into a bright day of complete independence

Historically, India is in a way responsible for the discovery of the great continent of America. For was it not the worldwide fame of India's riches which fired the imagination of Columbus and determined his exploratory course.

The Mayor told Mr. Asaf Ali that New York hailed the day of India's complete independence. He looked forward to the day when an Indian Consulate General would be installed in New York.

Mr. Asaf Ali was introduced to the Mayor by Mr. H. K. Rakhit, Secretary of the India League of America

GRADY'S REPLY TO "DAWN"

WASHINGTON, April 15, (A.P.I.): Henry Grady, new Ambassador to India, declared yesterday after a White House call that President Truman was much interested in India and her progress.

Grady leaves Washington on April 19 and San Francisco on May 8th.

Questioned about statements in the Muslim newspaper, "Dawn," Grady commented, "I had in mind co-operation and the working together of all elements in the country to achieve the great possibilities the country has. I believe there was some reference to trade."

"I always assume every country wants to build up its trade, especially if it wants to build up its industry," he added. "International trade is a condition of every country's development. Of course, I was not referring to any formal political organisation. That is a matter for the Indians to work out, I had in mind co-operation and the working together to solve India's problem."

Kher Cancels Palghar Programme

BOMBAY April 14 (API): Mr. B. G. Kher, who is to preside over the Thana District Primary Teachers Conference at Palgha, tomorrow morning has cancelled his engagement, as he has to meet Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who is now in Bombay.

Parliamentary secretary, Miss Indumathi Seth is expected to take his place.

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Restricted Trading On Stock Exchange

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Bombay, April 15

The Share Bazar was quietly steady to-day with moderate short covering meeting long liquidation. Price fluctuations were confirmed to narrow range.

Tata Steel Defd shares opened at Rs. 2115 and after declining at Rs. 2105 advanced at Rs. 2127/8 but renewed selling erased improvement and Defds quietened at Rs. 2105. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 392 and improved at Rs. 394 but quietened at Rs. 388. Later rallied at Rs. 390 and steadied at Rs. 389. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1085 and after improving at Rs. 1092/8 declined at Rs 1082/8. Kohinoors opened at Rs. 595 and after touching Rs. 596 declined at Rs. 590. A rally followed at Rs. 594 but again quietened at Rs. 592. Simplex shares opened at Rs. 297 and after declining at Rs. 292 improved at Rs. 295. Swadeshi shares opened at Rs. 565 and after advancing at Rs. 570 reacted at Rs. 566. Scindia shares were done at Rs. 31/13 while Central Bank shares opened at Rs. 97 and hardened at Rs. 100 when buying was indifferent and steadied at Rs 99

MILLS

Bombay Dyeing 1070 X. R. Kohinoor X.R. 581 Swadesni 565 Nagpur 277 Simplex 291 New Great 346 Gokak 284 Indore 572/8, Century 950, Colaba 205 Indian Bleaching 150/8 Swan 368 Finlay 297 Morarji 610 Edward 675 Meyer 257/8 Apollo 4/2/6 I. U. Ord. 15 4 I. U. Dfd. 3 4 Madhusudan 300 Poddar 320 Khatau 280.

STEEL SHARES

Tata Steel Ord. 388 Tata Steel Defd. 2095 Second Pref. 168.

CEMENT

Associated Merger 174/8.

INDUSTRIES

Burma 448/12 Belapur 245 Shivrajpur 37 Scindia 31/14 P. Construction 184 Tata Chemical 16/4 Tata G. 77/8 Indian Iron 34/6 Bengal Nagpur 25/12.

ELECTRIC SHARES.

Tram Ordinary 108 Tata Hydro X. D. 176 Andhra 1540 Tata Power 1650.

MILLS (CASH).

Elphinstone 90 Phoenix 1160 India Manufacturing 4300 Koorla 300 Dawn 1600 David 150 New City 260 Minerva 215 Bradbury 595 Bharucha (Defd.) 8 Bharat 51/4 Mysore 330 Madhavji 17 Model 205 Laxmi 1725 Vishnu 665 Western 4300 Standard 562/8 Sholapur 6500 Sassoon Cotton 24/8 Hindustan 4300 Tata 97 Ahmedabad Advance 460 Sassoon Silk 101 New Union 26/14 Madhusudan B. 107 Shrinivas 380 Raja Bahadur 116/4 Berar 375 Victoria 425.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH).

Ahmedabad 157/8 (New) 120 Surat (Ord.) 243/12 New Pre. 211/4 Karachi 240 Broach 13 Ajmer 14 Amalgamated 20/4 Jalgaon 14/12 Nagpur 58 Poona 260 Bombay Suburban 202/8 Bombay Suburban (New) 164/10.

BANK SHARES.

Reserve 114 Imperial 2230 P. P. 565 Central X. R. 99 India X. D. 218 Union X. D. 11/5 Baroda 156 Habib 165 Dena Bank 70 United Commercial 77 Jaipur 62 Bikaner 31 Hindustan Com. 49 National Savings (fully) paid 82 Mysore 460 Exchange (Ord.) 45 Eastern 106 Bombay Provincial 85.

INSURANCE.

Oriental 6300 Empire 975 New India 83 Jupiter 34 Vulcan 15/14 Indian Mercantile 60 Universal Fire 18 Vasant 22/4 British India General 26 Industrial Prudential 45 Neptune 13/6 New Great 43 All-India General 40/4.

RAILWAYS.

C. P. 105/8 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Sara Sirajganj 116 Pachora 101 Mandra Bhon 116

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 483/12 Steamer 565 Burma New 166/4 Burma Petrol 3/8/6 Mackenzie 185 Port Canning 94 Kemp 575 Zandu Pharmacy 202/8 Indian Radio (Ord.) 377 Indian Radio B. 375 Indian Radio 362/8 Indian Investment Trust X. D. 106 Wimco X. R. 245 Dharamsey Chemical 30 Mukund Iron 14/12 Dena Trust 25 Alembic 355 Supreme India 228 Jamwire 141/8 Bombay Uganda 65 Bombay Motor Cycle 43/8 India Cement 42 Walchand Nagar Industries 390 United Motor 70 A. C. C. New 65.

PREFERENCE SHARES.

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 235 Tram 52 Andhra Valley 1380 Tata Power 1425 Hydro 145 Bombay Steamer 348/12 Nagpur 702/8 Swadeshi 150 Vishnu 805 Laxmi 506/4 New Great 268/12 Poddar 116 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 130 Bradbury 553/12 Surat Elec. 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 153/12 (2nd Pref.) 122/8 Amalgamated 156/4 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 122/8 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 107.

OUTSIDE SHARES.

Indian Copper 3/7 B. I. C. 9/6 Burma Corporation 4/10 New Victoria 6/8 New Victoria Preference 7/8 Raja 30 Phalton 140 Gold Mohar 345 New Kaiser-I-Hind 470 Sajjan 300 Osmanshahi 315 Ajamshahi 285 Air Services 19 Air India Pre. 72/8 Birla Motor 8 Marshal 7/8.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, April 15

The Bullion market is awaiting the decision of the High Court but in the meantime the Exchange authorities have issued a notice to go on with the settlement work. It appears that members are not in a mood to begin settlement work pending the Court decision.

There was very little forward business. Vaishakh Silver was quoted at Rs. 163/4 while Ready Silver was placed at Rs. 167/4. Vaishakh Gold was quoted at Rs. 104/10 and Ready Gold business was reported at Rs. 104/14. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 68/14 and the market was quiet.

Final quotations were as under:—

	Rs. as. p.
Ready Silver	168 0 0
Vaishakh Silver	164 0 0
Ready Gold	105 0 0
Vaishakh Delivery	104 14 0

PRODUCE MARKET

Bombay, April 15

The Produce market was quiet to-day with utter absence of any buying. The general feeling remains bearish. Groundnuts Khandesh quality were quoted at Rs. 29. Coromandal were quoted at Rs. 28/8 while Bold stood at Rs. 28. Groundnut Oil Ready was quoted at Rs. 18 and May delivery was quoted at Rs. 17/6. Castorseeds May were quiet at Rs. 126/5 and Bold were quoted at Rs. 28/8 while Cawnpore quality was placed at Rs. 26/5. Linseed Ready business was done at Rs. 24/10 and April May was placed at Rs. 24/8 Castorseeds May closed at Rs. 125/12. After the close there was general selling and declined at Rs. 124/6 but recovered at Rs. 125/5.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES.

BOMBAY, April 15.

MILLS.

Apollo 4/3 4/2 4/2/6
Bharat 51 51/4
B. Dyeing 1085 92/8 67/8 70 67/8 70
Bradbuly 580 95
C. India 282 76 82 77 79 76 78 77
E. Textiles 675 80 70 80 75
Elphinstone 91 89 90
Elphinstone (Pref.) 130
Finlay 295 98 96 98 95 97
Gokak 290 92 86 89 84
I. U. (Defd.) 3/5 3/6 3/4
I. U. (Ord.) 15/6 15/3 15/5 15/2 15/4
Indore 580 81/4 70 75 70 72/8
Kohinoor 595 96 92 94 90 94 81 86 79 81
Laxmi 1735
Model 210 5
Meyer 260 57/8
Morarji 600 10
New Great 346 41 48 45 46
Phoenix 1160
Podar 325 20
Simplex 297 92 95 89 91
Swadeshi 565 60 74 62 67 62 65
Swan 370 68 70 68
Tata Mills 97
Vishnu 652/8 65

BANKS.

Baroda 156
Central 97 99 98 100 98 99
Imperial (Old) 2235 60
Imperial (New) 570 65
India 218 17/8 18
Reserve 113/8 14
Union 11/4 11/2 11/5
U. Commercial 77/8 78 77

ELECTRIC.

Ahmedabad 158/12 57/8
Andhra Valley (Ord.) 1542/8 40
Andhra Valley (Pref.) 1380
B. Tram (Ord.) 106/8 7/8 7 9 8
B. Tram (Pref.) 51/12 52
Hydro 176
Hydro (Pref.) 143/12 45 (ex. div.)
Power (Ord.) 1655 47/8 50 45 52/8 50
Power (Pref.) 1425
Ajmer Electric 14

INSURANCE.

I. Mercantile 60
New India 82 83 82 84 83
Vulcan 15/14

STEAMER.

Scindhia 32/2 31/12 32 31/11 31/14

STEEL.

B. Steel 25/4 25/15 25/8 25/14 25/8 25/12
I. Iron 34 34/9 34/6
Tata Defd. 2115 5 17/8 15 27/8 2100 5 2095
Tata (Ord) 392 94 88 90 86 89 88
Tata (IInd Pref) 167/8 68/8 68

MISCELLANEOUS.

A. C. C. (Old) 176 74 75 74 74/8
A. C. C. (New) 65 63 65
Belapur 245 46 43 45
B. B. (Old) 445 48/12 47/8 50 46/12
B. B. (New) 165 67/8 66/4
B. B. Petrol 3/9 3/8/6
I. Bleaching 150/8
I. I. Trust 106
Port Canning 84
P. Construction 188 90 84
Shrivrajpur 36/8 37
Tata Chemical 16/4 16/8 16/2 16/8 16/4
Tata Oil 75 77 76/8 78 77 77/8
Wimco 248/12 52/8 45 47/8 45
Ahmedabad Elec. (New) 120.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, April 15

The Cotton market was steady with scattered short covering. It is said that some members had gone to see Sardar Patel about the present situation of the market which inspired some confidence but fears of de-control are restricting purchases.

July delivery opened to-day at Rs. 434/8 and improved at Rs. 435/4. At this level there developed increased selling and July declined at Rs. 433/12 but later firmed up at Rs. 435/8 on renewed short covering.

Thereafter the market was quiet with scattered mixed business and July was quoted at Rs. 435.

Towards the close the market was weak on increased selling and July declined at Rs. 431/8. The market closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. July	432 6 0
I.C.C. Sept.	438 12 0.

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton July contract is 1551 cent points below New York July at Exchange rate 331.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, April 14

May	34.24—24
May highest	34.45—03
May lowest	34.00—48
July	32.25—25
October	29.15—31
December	28.30—37
January	28.00—37
March	27.82—33
March	27.92 nominal 38
Middling spot	34.92—29

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

May	34.03—25
July	32.05—32
October	29.01 34
December	28.20—34
March	27.42—33
Middling spot	34.00—30

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES.

Bombay, April 14

July highest 437 1/2 lowest 433 closing 434 3/4

September highest 444 lowest 439 1/2 closing 4441 1/2.

Karachi 4F July highest 45-15-6 lowest 45-6-0 closing 45-10-3.

CHICAGO WHEAT

May	2.52-1/4 to 2.51-3/4
July	2.16-3/4 to 2.17-1/4
September	2.11-3/4 to 2.12
December	2.10

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, April 14.

SILVER: Spot	45-1/2d.
Forward	44-3-4d.
Gold bars fire per oz.,	£8:12:3

Heavy Liquidation In Wall Street Market

COTTON PRICES DECLINE 24 TO 38 POINTS

Cotton opened steady two to 15 points lower, soon declining sharply owing to renewal of nervous selling which soon forced out stoploss orders and once again found support poor. The market's renewed weakness reflected further consideration of larger acreage areas, easiness of outside markets, growth of consumer price resistance and the disturbing labour situation. The recent lack of interest in spot cotton supplied still another bearish influence but after declining about 50 points the market rallied quite well on increased mill buying and short covering contracts were now more scarce indicating that the pressure was temporarily abating. In the afternoon prices continued to be nervous soon meeting with renewed pressure and reaching the lowest of the day. The current flurries of liquidation were mainly due to sympathising action of other markets, particularly the activity and weakness of the stock exchange. Thereafter prices fluctuated nervously on varying spells of buying and selling but finally rallied on covering possibly on technical considerations. The market closed steady 24 to 38 points lower. Sales were estimated at 325,000 bales.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago grains sagged under the leadership of wheat reflecting a sharp break in the cash markets and absence of new flour business with South-Western advices indicating that no flour purchases for foreign account against June allocations were made last week, exporters purchased maize actively presumably as a covering against the sale of 1,983,000 bushels to Great Britain. However this buying was offset by heavy stocks on farms, weakness of live hogs and slow feeder demand. Towards the close there was renewal of commercial support and short covering reduced or eradicated the earlier losses.

Stocks: The weight of labour troubles and some gloomy business predictions by Washington economists brought early extension of losses on a broadfront ranging up to two points or more in active dealings. The decline was abruptly halted however and fractional recoveries were achieved on the news that the General Motors Corporation and the C. I. C. Electrical Union had reached an agreement on a fifteen cent hourly increase. Motors were the most active group followed by steels, wetstocks, railroads, oils, buildings, chemicals and textiles. The averages were industrial 169.20 and rails 45.23. The market found only temporary respite from liquidating pressure in General Motors Corporation settlement with electrical union and in the early afternoon resumed scoring of new low levels in what promised to be the most active and widest break for some time. Losses among leaders ran to nearly five points. Bethelehem steel being four points down. Schenley 3-1/2, Chrysler 4-3/4 and Dupont 4-7/8. The volume up to one o'clock was 1,300,000 shares. The market has apparently accomplished sufficient account trimming as warranted by the present circumstances and numerous sellers were now cautious whilst awaiting new corporate and legislative developments concerning labour. During the afternoon buyers were only able to muster sufficient strength to raise prices slightly from the day's worst levels but some quarters were of the opinion that there was good technical rally in the offing. Prices closed mostly fractions to four points lower with Allied Chemical off 5-1/4, Norfolkwestern 6 and Dupont 7-7/8. The averages not only went to new 1947 low levels but rails reached the low level for 1946 and others were not far off. The market closed well.

London Silver Market At Standstill

LONDON, April 14, (U.P.A.): The silver market continued to remain at a standstill today due to lack of inquiries for industrial silver at current prices.

No immediate arrivals of silver from overseas sources are envisaged; the continued closing of Bombay to import silver has killed London's international trade except for manufactured or semi-manufactured silver for export.

There was some discussion here of the noticeable fact that the New York market continues to disregard American talk of trade recession; that talk has already caused a decline in prices in diamonds but demand of lack of demand is apparently a bigger factor than the possibility that trade recession would lower the important industrial demand for the white metal.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Consols, 2-1/2 p.c.	£95-3/4
Conversion Loan, 3-1/2 p.c. 1961	111-1/4
War Loan 3-1/2 p.c. 1952 and after	£107
Funding Loan 4 p.c. 1960/90	£117
Victory Bonds 4 p.c.	£119-1/4
Chartered Bank of I.A. & China	£11-15/16
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London reg.)	£106-3/8
National Bank of India	34-3/4

LONDON EXCHANGES

T. T. London on:	
New York selling	4.0275
New York buyers	4.0325
Madrid	44.00
Montreal sellers	4.0275
Montreal buyers	4.0325
Zurich sellers	17.34
Zurich buyers	17.36
Stockholm sellers	14.47
Stockholm buyers	14.50

NEW YORK SILVER

NEW YORK, April 14.

U.S. price of foreign silver 76 cents

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, April 15.

Tata Ordinary 388; Tata Deferred 2090; Indian Iron 34/6; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 25/8; Bombay Dyeing 1070; Central India 277/8; Gokak 285; Kohinoor 581/4; Simplex 291; Swadeshi 565; Tata Power 1650; Associated Cement 174; Belapur 245; Bombay Burma (Old) 448/12; Scindia 31/14; Central Bank 98/12; New India 83/2; Tata 2nd Pref. 168/2.

CALICUT MARKET.

CALICUT, April 15.

Coiryan Beypore 196/205, Quilandy 210/220, Fibre Garbled 167/8, Ungarbled 160, Cocoanuts Raw 130, Dry 135, Cocoanut Oil 440, Copra Office 280, Dilpasand 290, Madrasnottam 320, Pepper Wynaad 575, Country 570, Dry Ginger Chernad 280, Ernad 260, Coffee Robusta 88, Timber Pali 52/8, Junglewood 29/30, Vellapine 40/47/8, Benteak 50/55, Teak 70/80, Mangoplands 3/3/8, Teak 14/18, Rosewood 14/18.

HAPUR MARKET.

HAPUR, April 14.

Silver Ready May 169/8, Forward 162/2, Opened 150/6, Lowest 158/4, Highest 162/6, Gold Ready May 106/8, Forward 98/4, Opened 95/4, Market extremely steady Bardana Asar 70, Touched 68, Unstead Mustarseed Ready 18/4, Jeth 18/10, Very Steady Ahrar 10/4, Jeth 10/2/6, Peas 19/4, Jeth 10/3, very steady other commodity markets quiet to steady.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, April 15.

B. O. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.

B. O. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months.

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Months.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Months.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Months.

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Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 3650

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PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Office of the Chief Controller of Exports.

(Commerce Department).

No. M. 561-E. II|47.

Dated the 12th April, 1947.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE EXPORT OF CERTAIN COMMODITIES OUTSIDE INDIA.

In pursuance of the decision announced by the Government of India, Department of Commerce, to reserve 25% of the export quotas of certain commodities for allotment to "new comers", applications are hereby invited so as to reach the undersigned on or before the 15th May, 1947, from individuals and firms, wishing to take advantage of this concession, who are not classified as "Established Shippers." The following particulars should be given in the applications.

(a) Name and address of the applicant.
(b) Destination to which the applicant desires to export.
(c) Name of the commodity he desires to export.
(d) Quantity which the applicant wishes to export.
(e) Whether the applicants ever exported the commodity concerned to the destination for which application is made; and if so, details of such export.
(f) Details of the trade connection, if any, which the applicants have with the destination to which they wish to export.
(g) Whether the applicants have received an order for the goods and are in a position to export them within a reasonable time if a licence is granted?

(original letters or telegrams showing this must be produced with the application).

N.B. (1). Persons wishing to enter the export trade for the first time and who produce evidence of being able to secure business with countries abroad are not precluded from making applications.

(2) A separate application should be made for each commodity and for each destination. No application will be considered unless accompanied by a Government Treasury receipt for a sum of Rs. 50|- which can be credited at any Government Treasury, under the head "XLVI - MISCELLANEOUS." This fee of Rs. 50|- will not be refunded.

2. The grant of export licences under this scheme will otherwise be subject to the same general regulations as apply to licences granted to "Approved shippers."

3. In view of the limited quantities available for distribution, it may not be possible to grant licences to all applicants. The decision of Government in regard to the grant of licences will be final.

4. Destinational quotas wherever they have been fixed and the minimum and maximum quantities that will normally be allotted to any individual applicant are given below:—

I. COTTON PIECEGOODS.

Destination	Quota available in tons.	Minimum	Maximum
Aden	109	1 ton (=10,000 yds.)	10% of quota available.
Eritrea	6	"	6 tons
Saudi Arabia	39	"	10% of quota available.
Australia	374	"	10% of quota available
Kenya, Tanganyika, Zanzibar, Nysaland, Italian Somaliland	497	"	"
British Somaliland	4	"	4 tons.
British West Africa	181	"	10% of quota available
Ceylon	225	"	"
Mauritius	50	"	"
New Zealand	27	"	5 tons
Rhodesia	13	"	5 tons
Portuguese East Africa	4	"	4 tons
Seychelles	8	"	8 tons
Sudan	191	"	10% of quota available.
Iran	55	"	"
Fiji	5	"	5 tons
Malaya	107	"	10% of quota available.
Netherlands East Indies	25	"	5 tons
Hongkong	3	"	3 tons
Iraq	137	"	10% of quota available.
Burma	375	"	"
Arab Sheikdoms in Gulf	115	"	"
Turkey	10	"	5 tons

II. COTTON MANUFACTURES

Article	Quota available in lbs.	Minimum	Maximum
Apparel	2,39,939	1 ton	5% of the quota available.
Hosiery	5,41,138	"	"
Cotton Waste Blankets	32,53,172	"	"
Other cotton manufactures	7,33,994	"	"

III. HIDES & SKINS AND LEATHER.

Approximate Quota available for all permissible destinations in tons.	Minimum	Maximum
3,150	1 ton	100 tons.

IV. MATCHES.

Quota available for all destinations.	Minimum	Maximum
2,500 cases	50 cases	250 cases.

V. PAINTS, VARNISHES AND ENAMELS CONTAINING LEAD OR ZINC.

Quota available (in tons)	Minimum	Maximum
1,000	1 ton	100 tons.

(Sd.) M. E. REHMAN,
Chief Controller of Exports,
Church Road, New Delhi.

(3008)

NOTICE

FOR SALE LARGE quantities of greases, oils, lubricants, etc., of all descriptions. Graphite compounds, corrosion preventatives, hydraulic fluid, graphite, lubricating grease, graphite grease, high melting point grease, castor-oil, creosote, soluble cutting oil, lard oil, light medium and heavy lubricating oils, neatsfoot oil, petrolatum, Intava and Mobiloil greases and oils. For catalogue and prices write quoting reference No 11|06B|514 to Tata Aircraft Ltd., Titaghur Air Depot, 24 Parganas, Bengal. Immediate delivery can be arranged.

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(2884)

G. I. P. RLY.—TENDERS

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the re-caning of OFFICE and STATION FURNITURE which should be submitted to the Dy. Chief Transportation Superintendent, "Signals & Telegraphs", Victoria Terminus Annexe, before 24-4-47. Full particulars may be obtained from the Officer-in-Charge, Transportation Workshops, G.I.P. Railway, Parel Road Byculla. 2962

THE NEW INDIA ASSURANCE COMPANY LTD.,

P.O. Box 969, Bombay.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of the Policy No. 6391 on the life of Mr. S. M. Nayak, claim arising under the Policy, will be disposed of unless objection is lodged with us within one month from this date.

Dated at Bombay, this 16th day of April, 1947.

B. K. SHAH,
General Manager.
3014

RURAL BROADCASTING, BOMBAY.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following temporary posts in the Rural Broadcasting Section of the Directorate of Publicity, Bombay:—

TECHNICAL ASSISTANTS: — Pay: Rs. 170-10-250, PLUS Rs. 32 D.A. plus Rs. 10 interim relief and other allowances admissible.

QUALIFICATIONS: — Degree in Electrical Engineering or Physics with practical experience in Radio Engineering for at-least one year.

Full particulars and application forms may be obtained from the Director of Publicity (Rural Broadcasting), Free Theatre Bldg. 42, Queen's Road, Bombay. (2934)

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

APPOINTMENT OF DRAFTSMEN

APPLICATIONS are invited for

One post of 1st grade Structural Draftsmen in the grade of Rs. 210-15-300, and
One post of 2nd grade Draftsmen in the grade of Rs. 65-5-100-8-180-10-200 with Efficiency Bar at Rs. 100.

The posts carry house allowance as admissible under the rules and war allowance equivalent to 17 1/2 per cent of pay subject to a minimum of Rs. 22 per month or as may be sanctioned from time to time.

Candidates for the post of 1st grade Draftsman should hold a Diploma in Civil Engineering from a recognised institute or have 15 years' Drawing Office experience in detailing of steel structures in a reputable firm of Structural Engineers or a Corporate Body.

Candidates for the post of 2nd grade Draftsman should have passed the Advanced Examination in Architecture from the J. J. School of Arts or should have passed an equivalent examination and have worked for at least 10 years in a firm of Engineers or Architects. Higher starting pay will be offered in the grade according to qualifications and experience.

The selected candidates will be required to produce certificate of physical fitness from the Medical Officer, Bombay Port Trust, and will be on **one year's probation** after which if found satisfactory, they will be eligible for confirmation in the respective appointment. The posts are subject to the usual Leave and Provident Fund rules for permanent employees of the Bombay Port Trust as amended from time to time.

Applications giving age, nationality and full particulars of qualifications and experience (with dates) and copies of testimonials, which will not be returned, should reach the office of the Chief Engineer, Bombay Port Trust, Ballard Road, Fort, Bombay, not later than 3rd May, 1947, with the endorsement "Appointment of 1st grade Structural Draftsman" or "Appointment of 2nd grade Draftsman."

Any attempt to bring personal influence to bear upon the members of the Trustees will disqualify the candidate concerned.

CHIEF ENGINEER,
Bombay Port Trust.
Ballard Road, Fort, Bombay.
3001

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

WANTED ZOO ASSISTANT
Pay Rs. 50-4-90 PLUS Rs. 26/- P.M. Dearness Allowance.
Age below 30 years.
Apply in person to the undersigned with copies of Certificates in original on 22nd, 23rd or 24th instant between 8 A.M. and 11 A.M. (S.T.).

D. I. AHMADI,
Superintedent,
Municipal Gardens.
Victoria Gardens Office,
Dated April, 1947.
3002

NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS are called for the Staunching work of the Khambhala Tank for Porbandar Water Supply Project before 1st May, 1947. The work is estimated to cost about Rs. 4,00,000|-. Plans, tender forms, conditions of contract, etc., can be had from the Dewan Saheb, Porbandar State, Porbandar (Kathiawar) on payment of Rs. 5|- each. Tenders must be accompanied with earnest money at one per cent of the tendered amount. (3012)

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS are invited from candidates for the following permanent posts for the Kancharapara Tuberculosis Hospital in the Bengal General Service:—(1) Superintendent (reserved for a non-Muslim) (2) Physician (reserved for a Muslim). Pay—for the post of Superintendent—Rs. 1,500-100/2-2,000 per month—No private practice will be allowed: For the post of Physician—Rs. 1,000-75/2-1,600 per month—No private practice will be allowed. Qualifications. A candidate must be domiciled in British India or born of parents habitually resident in India and not established for temporary purposes only. Preference will be given to a candidate who is a native of or permanently domiciled in Bengal. FOR THE POST OF SUPERINTENDENT he must be an F.R.C.S. having experience in pulmonary tuberculosis (and specially in its surgical treatment). FOR THE POST OF PHYSICIAN—he must be a medical graduate with experience in pulmonary tuberculosis Full details and application forms may be obtained from the office of the Public Service Commission, Bengal, Anderson House, Alipore, Calcutta, personally or on sending an addressed envelope with a nine pies stamp affixed. They will not be supplied on receipt of mere stamps. Candidates who are unable to obtain copies of the prescribed form may apply on any printed or typed form, a sample of which was published in the Calcutta Gazette of the 21st November 1946 provided that the form used is of the size, and shows exactly the wording and spacing, of the sample form, that the words of the sample are not reproduced in hand writing and that the blanks are filled in the candidates' own hand writing Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5. 15th May, 1947. 3007

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY TENDER NOTICE

THE ELECTION and Town Duty Officer invites Tenders for "Printing and supplying 400 copies of the Voters' List each of 1 to 34 wards, containing about 3 lacs voters or its multiple not exceeding 12 lacs on 1st August, 1947." Tenders are returnable duly sealed for the whole or a part job to the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd April, 1947, not later than 1 p.m (B.T.).

The conditions of supply and contract, etc., together with specimen of printing work can be seen at the Office of the Election and Town Duty Officer, City Improvement Trust Building (Top floor), Napier Road, Fort, Bombay, during office hours.

The paper required will be supplied by the Municipality. 3003

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES & SUPPLIES

Office of the Director of Supplies, Strand House, Graham Rd., Ballard Estate, Bombay.

THE DIRECTOR OF SUPPLIES invites Tender No BOM/M/535 to reach him on or before 11 A.M. on 28-4-47 on forms (not transferable) obtainable from his office at Rs. 2/- (not refundable) per set to be paid in cash by Money Order, or Indian Postal Order (quoting Tender Number, full name and address of the remitter), for:

Description	Quantity.
PRIMOLUX or similar quality cleanser for cleaning steam loco engines	30 cwts.

Applicants not already on the approved list of this Department or the late Department of Supply must give their Banker's reference on applications for tender forms. Tender forms will not issued to firms already blacklisted. 3004

B.B. & C.I. RAILWAY TENDERS

THE GENERAL MANAGER, B.B. & C.I Railway, Bombay, invites tenders returnable on 25-4-47 to the Controller of Stores, Jacob Circle, Bombay 11 for the supply of 100 tons of Oil Castor for burning. Copy of the tender can be had from the Controller of Stores, Jacob Circle, Bombay 11. Tenderers not on any of the Railway's approved list of tenderers must quote Bankers' Guarantee.

CONTROLLER OF STORES.
(3010)

SHRI LAXMI TEXTILE MILLS, LTD., BHOR.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at Bhor (Bhor-State) on MONDAY, the 12th May, 1947, at 10 a.m. (S.T.) to pass a special resolution and to transact the following business:—

1. To consider the issue of additional remaining shares out of the Authorised capital of Rs. 15,00,000 in view of the permission already obtained for additional machinery.
2. To transact such other business as may be placed before the meeting by the Chairman.

By order of the Board,
For the Bhor Mercantile Agency, Ltd.,
M. G. DESAI,
Director,
Managing Agents.
Bhor, 10-4-1947. 5540

LEGAL NOTICES

ORIGINAL MARATHI

20|3|47.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
Testamentary and Intestate Jurisdiction

No. 331 26-3-47 E. 330 20-3-47

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of Dr. SHIVRAM GOPAL VAIDYA, a widower, late of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, a Medical Practitioner, Retired, residing at the time of his death at 75 Parel Road, without the Fort of Bombay .. Deceased.

SADASHIV SHIVRAM VAIDYA of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant residing at Chinchpokli, 75, Parel Road, without the Fort of Bombay .. Petitioners

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness SIR LEONARD STONE Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 15th day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty-seven and in the Eleventh year of our Reign

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Prothonotary and Senior Master.
A. R. NARAYAN AYYAR,
Sealer.

The 17th day of March, 1947:

SADASHIV SHIVRAM VAIDYA,
Petitioner in person.
(3009)

PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of the Electrical Engineer for the Raipur Electric Concern. The post is permanent and carries benefit of Provident Fund. Pay scale is Rs. 250-5-300-5-350|- with motor car allowance of Rs. 30|- and dearness allowance at 17½ p.c. of pay Pay scale and motor car allowance are likely to be revised to Rs 250-10-340-bar-15-400 and Rs. 40|- P.M.

Applicant should be a graduate in Electrical and Mechanical Engineering from a recognised Engineering College the degree of which is accepted by the Institute of Engineers (India) and should have practical experience of at least nine years.

Candidates below 35 years and who are permanent residents of C.P. & Berar will be preferred. Applications with testimonials should reach on or before 25th April, 1947.

Candidates may be required to appear for interview at their own expenses.

C. L. SHARMA,
Officer-in-Charge,
Municipal Administration,
Raipur.
(3011)

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE OF RIGHT IN HIGH COURT DECREE FOR RS. 18,000.

By order of the Official Assignee of Bombay, we shall sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, 21st April, 1947, at 3 p.m. (S.T.) at our rooms, at 122 Apollo Street, Fort, the right, title and interest of Insolvent Maneklal Javerchand Javeri in High Court of Bombay, decree for Rs. 18,000 in Suit No. 1226 of 1938 against Subkanan Surana of Calcutta.

CRAWFORD & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF FENEL SEEDS (VARIALI).

Under instructions from M/s. Thakoredas & Co., Attorneys for M/s. Ratilal Vardhman & Co. and on account and risk of the defaulting purchaser Jethalal Chhotalal, M|s. BENNETT & CO. will on FRIDAY, the 18th April 1947 at 3 P.M. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction at 27-35, Musjid Siding Road Dana Bunder:—

449 Bags Fenel Seeds (Variali)

Terms: 25 p.c. Cash Deposit. Purchaser will have to pay Sale Tax.

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AUCTION SALE of Unclaimed Goods at Unclaimed Goods Office, Wadi Bunder, including G. N. Seeds, cottonseeds, hirda, chillies, moong, cotton. salt, mohaseeds, gunnies. coir ropes, copra, tea, carpets, cloth, biddi leaves, slates, glasswares, shoe, chappals soap, cycle parts, oil, grease, etc. on WEDNESDAY, 30th Inst. at 12 Noon (S.T.) under instructions from G.I.P. Rly. and in accordance with section 55 and 56 of Indian Railways Act 9 of 1890.

Terms: 50 p.c. deposit, delivery on 9-5-47.

AUCTION SALE of Firing Fomade about 1800 Gallons and 170 drums Distemper on FRIDAY, 18th Inst. at 3 P.M. (S.T.) behind Commissariat Bldg. near Evans Frazer, Fort, under instructions from the Party Concerned.

Terms: 25 p.c. deposit.

AUCTION SALE of 2250 Pieces White Parachutes Silk Canopies of 24 feet Diameter on THURSDAY 17th Inst. at 3 P.M. (S.T.) at their Rooms at 72, Medows Street, Fort, under instructions from Messrs. Gurdial Naraindass & Co. and on account and at the risk of M/s. Mohanlal Morarji (Mulji Jetha Market, Navi Gali) the defaulting purchasers.

Terms: 25 p.c. deposit.

AUCTION SALE OF ALL the Stock-in-Trade of Babulal Devidas Thakkar's Shop including woollen and cotton Coatings, Flannel, Art Silk Printed Cloth, Art Silk sarees, Parachutes silk cloth, blankets, Carpets, Counter pens, Holdalls, Towels, printed chaders, etc. and Furniture, fans, safe etc. on Saturday, 19th Inst. at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at the said shop outside Mangaldas Market, near Hanuman Temple, under instructions from M/s. Rustamji & Ginwala Attorneys for M/s. M. C. Mehta the Mortgagees-in-Possession and on a/c and at the risk of the mortgagor Babulal Devidas Thakkar an Insolvent.

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